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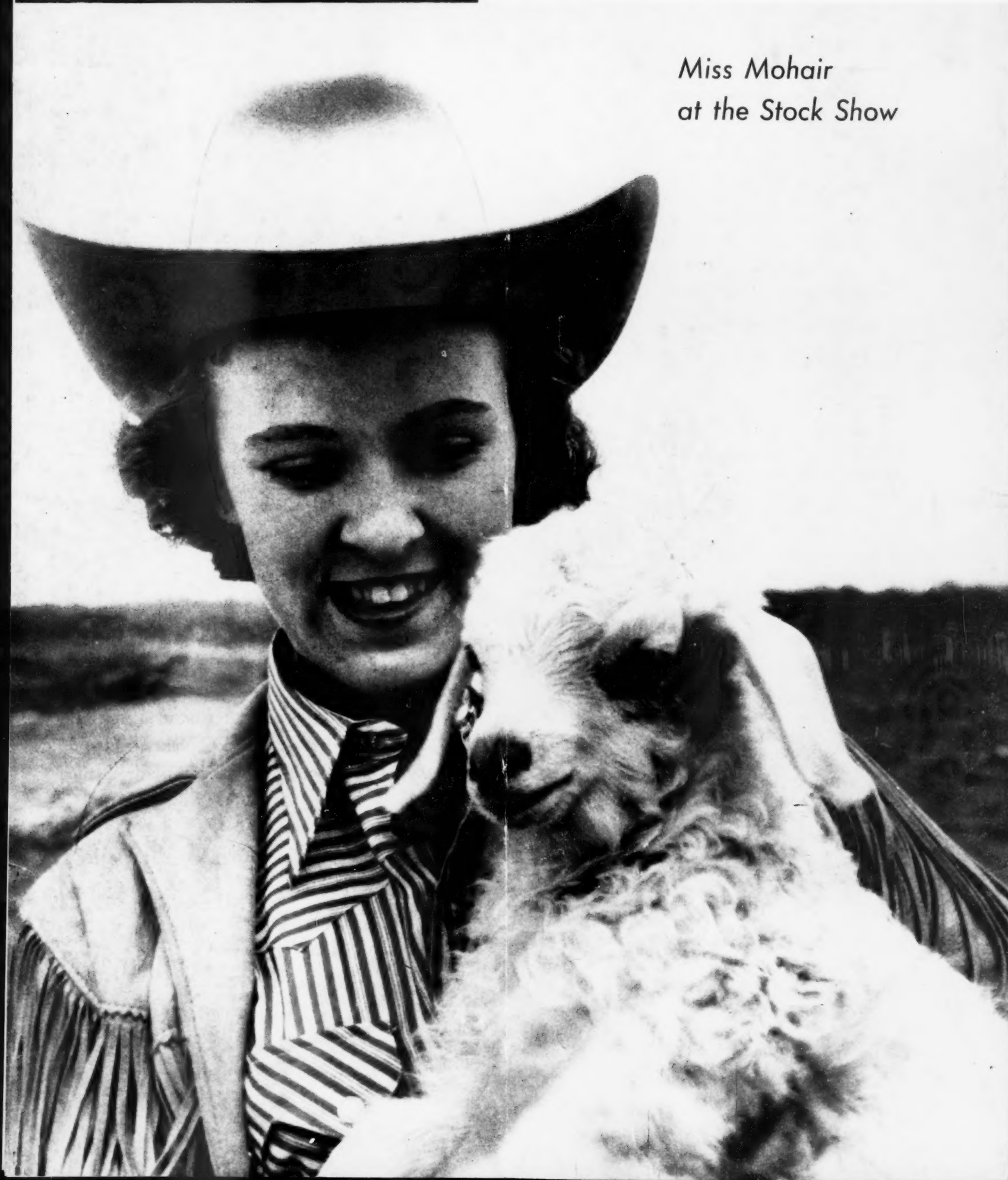
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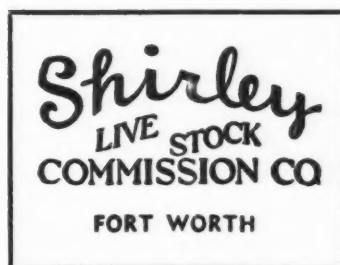
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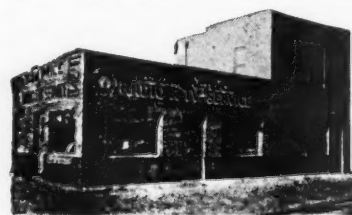
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Under Incentive Payment Plan —

The Wool Industry Faces New Era

THE ADMINISTRATION'S Incentive Payment Wool Bill, which seems to be well on its way toward adoption, will mark an important shift in the marketing procedures of the domestic wool producers. What influence upon the welfare of the producer this plan, if adopted, will have on the producer is yet to be determined.

DIRECTORS TO MEET AT DEL RIO

THE FIRST annual quarterly meeting of the Directors of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association will be held at Del Rio March 12-13. The headquarters for the meeting will be at the Roswell Hotel.

The Del Rio Chamber of Commerce will be in general charge of the arrangements for the visitors with Roger Wheeler, manager, directing. A luncheon at the San Felipe Country Club, March 13, is planned.

President of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, Walter Pfluger, urges all the directors to attend this meeting, declaring that it is to be one of the most important of the year. He also urges all ranchmen in the area to attend the meeting which will be quite interesting and open to all who desire to come.

However, most of the wool producing states are favorable to the plan and the administration leaders are unqualifiedly for it — and have been for many months. Many are so optimistic that they freely predict that this plan will prove the salvation of the wool industry.

The Senate Agriculture Committee began hearings on S-2911 on February 15. The Senate bill was introduced by Chairman Senator George Aiken. On March 4th House Committee will begin hearings on H.R. 7775, which is a companion bill to S-2911 and is sponsored by Congressman Clifford Hope, Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee.

Representing the growers in the Senate hearing was Ray Willoughby, San Angelo, President of the National Wool Growers Association. The National Wool Marketing Corporation of Boston, Massachusetts, which organization has also endorsed the Incentive Payment Plan, is represented by President James Lemmon.

Every effort is being made to clear the wool bill before it becomes involved in the highly controversial flexible support price arguments. Should this happen many fear that the plan will become bogged down and that little, if anything, could be done by the administration, to alleviate the wool industry's present difficulties.

Willoughby, in a public statement, made position of growers clear. He said: "The National Wool Growers Association, in endorsing the Administration's wool program, reaffirms its

position that it will work for a national foreign trade policy which will make it unnecessary for either the wool growing industry, or any other domestic industry group, to depend upon the Government rather than the free markets of the United States for its income. This endorsement does not mean that the program is being sought by the industry as a substitute for fair and equitable tariffs, but as a substitute for a support program which has both cost the taxpayers money and completely failed in its objective of assisting our segment of agriculture."

Proposed bill would: 1. Require Secretary to set incentive price levels sufficient to encourage production until 300,000,000 shorn greased pounds per year goal is reached. 2. Growers would sell on open market, without Government control, and if national average on prices received is below incentive level originally set, all growers would receive incentive payment check figured on percentage national average is below incentive level. It would eliminate all loans, Government grading, CCC stockpiles, etc. 3. Would require payments and price level for pulled wool and mohair and proper relationship to shorn wool. 4. Present wool tariff rates would be required to do double duty, as money collected on imported wool would be used to make payments to domestic growers if (as at present) they are insufficient to protect domestic market price. 5. Contains permissive clause so that wool industry growers could set up and finance their own promotion campaign for wool, lamb, etc.

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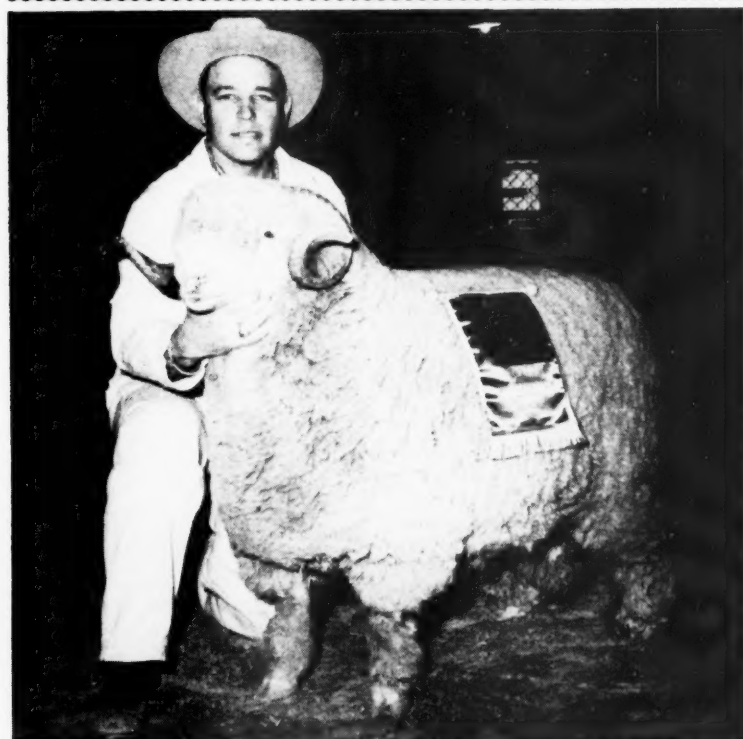
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Executive Secretary

NEW WOOL BILL

IF THE administration wool bill passes in essentially the same form in which it was introduced in both houses of Congress a couple of weeks ago, the American wool grower will receive a direct "incentive payment" as a support rather than a loan. That is, of course, supposing that the average price received by the wool grower is less than the incentive level set by the Secretary of Agriculture. The incentive level could be as high as ten cents a pound above the present 90 percent of parity, according to a USDA spokesman.

Those are the big differences in the mechanics of the new program offered by the present administration and the present loan program.

There are, of course, other differences. The original announcement by

President Eisenhower envisaged the same support payment to all producers, as was reported on this page in the February Sheep & Goat Raiser. Under the present bill, the percentage payment will be the same to all growers, but as the percentage increase will be on the amount at which each producer sold his wool, the net amount of the payment would be highest to the man who sold his wool at the highest price. More about this later.

After a called meeting of the Executive Committee in Washington, on February 12, and a conference with Secretary of Agriculture Benson the next day, the National Wool Growers Association representatives issued a statement supporting the new plan as a substitute for the present loan program only and not as a substitute for the long sought tariff increases.

In his statement before the Senate Agriculture Committee on February 19, Ray W. Willoughby, President of the National Wool Growers Association, said "the wool growers have not changed their minds or their position as to a proper long range solution to this problem. We believe in the imposition of a fair and reasonable tariff on a flexible basis. Such a flexible tariff could adjust itself to world conditions, lower foreign labor costs or manipulation of controlled currencies by foreign governments."

"The bill provides that tariff money collected on competitive foreign wool would be used to pay the grower the price he should receive, but cannot receive because we have an insufficient tariff," Willoughby told the committee.

The bill provides for a goal of 300,000,000 pounds of shorn wool; a reduction of 60 million pounds from the previous announced goal. The original bill used as a goal 12,000,000 pounds of mohair, but at the insistence of TS&GRA President Walter Pfluger, and Fred T. Earwood, reference to any given amount was eliminated.

It can and will apply to 1954 wool if the bill is passed early enough. J. M. (Casey) Jones, NWGA Secretary, with this in mind, suggests that any producer who shears before April 30 not deliver to the buyer until after that date as the bill provides that payments will be available only to wool sold subsequent to that date.

The Secretary of Agriculture will set the incentive payment level. In a statement before the Senate Agriculture Committee, Assistant Agriculture Secretary, Ross Rigley, said it would "probably be not more than 60 to 62 cents." The present 90 percent of parity is about 52 cents.

Each grower would get the same percentage payment. Suppose the Secretary sets the incentive level at 60 cents per pound and the average selling price for all wool for the year is 50 cents per pound. The average price received must be raised 20 percent to bring it up to the incentive level. As an example of how this would work, suppose rancher A had a heavy shrinking clip improperly put up and got 60 cents per pound, and rancher B with a lighter shrinking properly put up clip received 70 cents. Applying the 20 percent increase, rancher A would receive an incentive payment of 12 cents (20 percent of 60 cents) and rancher B would receive 14 cents per pound incentive payment (20 percent of 70 cents). Thus the higher payment would go to the rancher with the best wool and it would certainly be to the rancher's advantage to sell his wool as high as possible, incentive payment or not. There would be no incentive at all if the average price for the year was at or above the incentive level.

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association is neither endorsing or opposing the new bill, but is taking a waiting attitude to see what is finally in the bill when it is reported out of the two Agriculture Committees.

MEXICAN LABOR SITUATION

At this writing (February 26) the new legislation necessary to reopen and operate the processing centers

without Mexico's co-operation has not passed. The Agriculture Committees of both Senate and House have approved the Joint Resolution, however, and it is expected there will be no very important opposition to its final passage.

All Processing stopped the first part of February when it was ruled that funds appropriated for use under Public Law 78, the agreement with Mexico, could not be used in a program operated unilaterally by the United States.

R. W. Hodge, TS&GRA vice-president, spent a week in Washington working on this problem the latter part of January. He will make a report to members attending the Spring quarterly meeting in Del Rio on March 13.

LAMB PROMOTION

The deduction of 2 cents per head for the lamb promotion program outlined in last month's Sheep & Goat Raiser magazine and scheduled to begin March 1 has been set back to Monday, March 15. Several necessary preparations cannot be made in time to begin on the earlier date.

Since the last issue of the magazine, two more San Antonio commission firms have agreed to make the deduction.

Members of the Association's Lamb Committee and a number of country and order buyers will meet in San Angelo early in March to make plans for the promotion pennies to be deducted on sheep sales in the country and other sales involving direct delivery.

Several of the western states have already sent to the National Wool Growers Association Lamb Promotion Account their part of the funds to be raised in 1954.

TAKE "PRACTICAL" RATHER THAN "GLAMOROUS"

ONE OF the most aggressive and highly regarded ranchmen in the business recently made a statement which gives a good indication of how the wind is blowing regarding "Fat Stock Shows." The statement was made by Caddo Wright, Manager of the Green Valley Farms at San Marcos and Manager of a livestock auction company there.

"Plans are being made to get away from the unpractical milkfed program and to show only dry lot calves and lambs in the Hays County Junior Livestock Show. We will have a strictly commercial program in the future. Right now about 20 counties in Texas have commercially-fed animals exclusively in their shows and we are going to study these various programs and develop one which we think will be best suited to our youth and one that will teach them the practical side of livestock feeding rather than the glamorous side."

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Houston Fat Stock Show Results

Breeding Sheep Show

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In the Corriedale breed, J. D. and J. F. Cook had the champion and reserve champion ram and the champion and reserve champion ewe.

In the Hampshire class, Mrs. Ammie E. Wilson, Plano, showed the champion and reserve champion ram and the champion ewe. T. R. Hinton, Keller, had the reserve champion ewe.

Southdowns: Helms Bros., Belleville, Ill., had the champion ram and J. M. Raiden & Son the reserve champion ram. Duron Howard of Ryan, Oklahoma, showed the champion ewe and J. M. Raiden & Son the reserve champion ewe.

Suffolks: Dr. R. L. Pavy & Family, Rensselaer, Indiana, exhibited the champion ram and reserve champion ewe. The Trans-Pecos Ranch, Fort Stockton, showed the champion ewe and reserve champion ram.

Delaine-Merinos: Raymond Walston of Menard showed the champion ram and champion ewe. Hobson Miller and Joe Benningfield of Goldthwaite exhibited the reserve champion ram and the champion and reserve champion ewe.

Open Class

Joe H. Dixon, Fort Worth, showed the champion and reserve champion wether lamb, champion pen of three, grand champion wether, grand champion pen of three wether lambs.

Jimmy and Kathryn Brim, Brownwood, showed the reserve grand champion wether. The reserve grand champion pen of three wether lambs was shown by Benny Warren, Garland, Texas. Norman Hale, Kingfisher, Oklahoma, had the reserve champion pen of three wether lambs.

Junior Livestock Show

The champion junior fat lamb was exhibited by Jimmy and Kathryn Brim, Brownwood; the reserve champion junior lamb by Myron Hillman, Mullin. The champion pen of three junior fat lambs by Benny Warren, Garland; the reserve champion pen of three fat lambs by Calvin Helms, Winters.

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Leo and Rod Richardson, Iraan Rambouillet breeders, delivered at Houston, February 20, for airshipment to Honduras 10 ewe lambs and 2 ram lambs. Bailey Pace was the buyer.

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T. R. HINTON, registered Hampshire breeder of Keller, Texas, writes the magazine in part as follows:

"We think that one of the greatest helps to the sheep industry would be the passage of the 'Rabies' control law by the state of Texas. There is considerable agitation for passage at this special session, as some of the large cities have been hard hit by rabies. Houston is one that has been hardest hit. The rabies law as proposed requires that each dog be vaccinated against rabies, otherwise picked up and impounded.

Many ranchmen with sheep near towns have had to go out of the sheep business because of marauding dogs. It is estimated that about one-third or 33 1/3% of all the sheep in Texas are in flocks of from one to 24. Thus, it can be readily seen the impact the dogs have on our sheep industry.

"I will be unable to attend the Sheep and Goat Raisers meeting at Del Rio, so would appreciate this matter being placed in the hands of proper committee for their consideration and action."

L. F. Hodges, Sterling City Rambouillet breeder, immediately recognized quality in the Junior Rambouillet Sheep Breeders' Show at San Angelo the latter part of February and purchased the Champion ram from Sue Tongate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Tongate of Brooksmith, for \$200.

Young Jim Pennington of Pflugerville is developing a nice flock of registered Suffolk sheep. During the San Antonio show he sold one of his show rams which he no longer needed.

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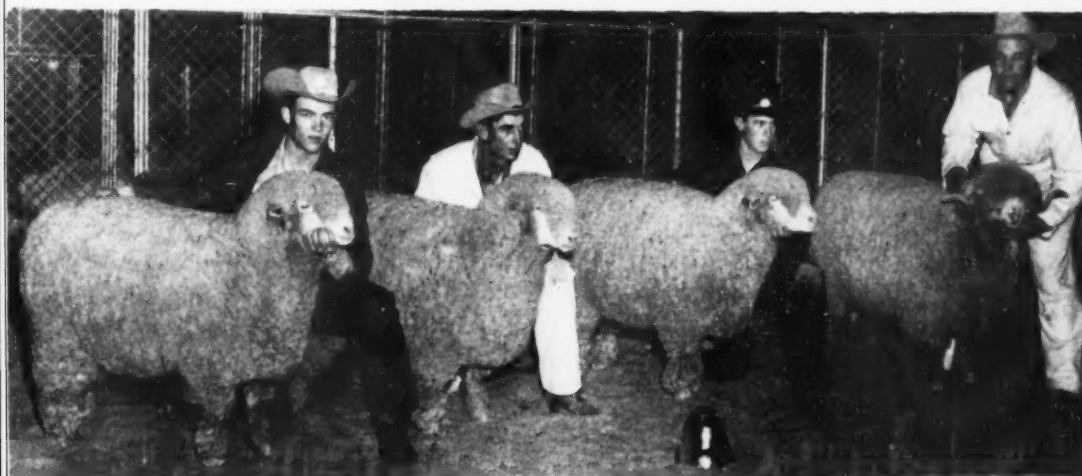
nie Mac Locklin of Sonora for \$100. Most of the money which young Bridges used in the purchase was money won this year in the sheep

shows. Young Bridges is going to feed a breeder flock during the coming year and expects to give some competition in junior shows in 1955.

PIERCE RAMBOUILLETS

THE CHAMPION GET OF MILES PIERCE

One of the high spots of the breeder show event is winning the get of sire in stiff competition. The sheep breeder trophy for 1953 in the fine wool class was won by Miles Pierce, right, with his Rambouillet get. This was at Fort Worth, where Mr. Pierce's winnings included also the champion ram, Bright Victor II, and champion ewe, Miss Victor, sired by Bright Victor, the ram which was undefeated in the Texas show circuit in 1952. Mr. Pierce is shown holding his champion ram of the Fort Worth and San Antonio shows.



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SHEEP AND LAMB PRICES SHOW ADVANCE

SHEEP AND lambs sold unevenly higher in Texas during the first three weeks of February, the Agricultural Marketing Service reported. Goats, cattle and hogs were little changed.

Advances were largely the result of good demand for sharply reduced marketings. Gains of one to three cents per pound on dressed lamb at major wholesale centers also helped bolster live market prices.

The February upturn carried sheep and lamb prices at Texas markets to the highest points since last fall.

Wheat and spring grass began to supply livestock feed in some sections of Texas but most farmers and ranchers were forced to continue heavy supplemental feeding.

Extended drouth caused complete liquidation of flocks in some areas. Others cut herd size to a minimum in order to stretch feed supplies and budgets. As a result, sheep numbers in Texas dropped to the lowest point since 1928. The AMS's Crop Reporting Board said 5,291,000 sheep and lambs were on Texas farms and ranches as of Jan. 1, 1954. This was 5 per cent less than the number on farms and ranches Jan. 1, 1953.

With less sheep and lambs in the country, marketings at Texas terminal stockyards fell off sharply. Receipts Feb. 1 to 20 included about 32,000 at Ft. Worth and 3,800 at San Antonio. The total of nearly 36,000 was 25 per cent smaller than a month earlier but about the same as a year ago.

Lambs comprised around 85 to 90 per cent of receipts at Ft. Worth. A third of the lambs were in the wool and nearly two-thirds were shorn. Few spring lambs, yearlings, aged sheep or feeder lambs arrived.

In contrast, shorn aged sheep made up the bulk of San Antonio's run. Feeder lambs were in moderate supply, but very few slaughter lambs or yearlings came in.

Pricewise, spring lambs on Feb. 18 sold \$2 to \$4.25 higher than January's close at Ft. Worth. Good and choice springs brought \$21 to \$23.75 per 100 pounds. Not enough spring lambs arrived at San Antonio to test the market.

Wooled slaughter lambs sold \$1.75 higher at San Antonio and \$1 higher at Ft. Worth. Good to choice grades left San Antonio's yards at \$18.75 to \$19.00. Utility to choice kinds made \$18.25 to \$21.00 at Ft. Worth.

Shorn slaughter lambs scored a gain of \$1.50 at San Antonio and 75c to \$1 at Ft. Worth. Good and choice shorn lambs returned \$18.50 to \$19.50 at Fort Worth and \$17.50 to \$18.25 at San Antonio. Utility sorts sold down to \$16 at Ft. Worth and \$14.50 at San Antonio.

Slaughter ewes and wethers looked 50c to \$1.50 higher for the month at Ft. Worth and steady to \$1 higher at San Antonio. Cull to good ewes realized \$7 to \$9.50 and utility to good shorn wethers \$11 to \$12 at Ft. Worth. San Antonio turned cull to good shorn ewes and wethers at \$5 to \$10.

Better prices for fat lambs, availability of wheat pastures in many areas, and shortage of supplies resulted in a broad demand for feeder lambs during February. Prices went up \$1 to \$1.50 at San Antonio and 50c to \$1 at Ft. Worth. Medium to choice 60 to 80-pound feeder lambs changed hands at \$15 to \$18 at San Antonio. Medium to good grades earned \$14.50 to \$17.50. Medium to good feeder lambs cleared Ft. Worth at \$16 to \$19.50 per 100 pounds on woolled offerings and \$15 to \$18 on shorn lots.

Lamb sales in the Texas range country this month were limited. Mixed fat and feeder shorn lambs sold in West Texas at \$17 per 100 pounds on an immediate delivery basis.

Wool contracting picked up in the range country. About 200,000 pounds of graded French combing 12-months wool sold in Texas during February at 73c per pound in the grease. Around 155,000 pounds of staple 12-months wool brought 78c. Fall wool turned at 57½ to 65c.

Buyers now estimate that between 700,000 and 800,000 pounds of 1954 wool have been contracted for future delivery in Texas. Prices of these contracts ranged from 60 to 66½c per pound for ewe wool up to 71½c for lambs wool.

Mohair contracts sold for 71½c per pound on adult and \$1.01½ on kid hair delivered to the warehouse.

AMS's report of livestock on farms and ranches as of Jan. 1, 1954, showed 2,044,000 goats in Texas, or 7 per cent more than the same date last year. Although goat slaughter was about the same as the year before, the 1953 kid crop was larger and death losses were smaller than in 1952.

Goat marketings at San Antonio during Feb. 1 to 20 totaled around 1,700. Receipts were 40 per cent smaller than the same period last month and 25 per cent smaller than a year ago. Slaughter goats and kids comprised the bulk of receipts. Very few stockers were offered.

Market outlets were fairly dependable for the reduced supply and prices ruled steady to 50c higher than at the close of January. Good Spanish type and shorn Angora goats went to slaughter at \$7.50 to \$8 per 100 pounds. The bulk of cull to medium kinds took \$5 to \$6.75. Common and medium slaughter kids made \$4 to \$4.50 per head, with lightweights as low as \$2 to \$3.50 each. A few common and medium stocker goats went back to the range at \$4.50 to \$5.50 each.

Cattle and hog prices fluctuated throughout the month. Prices varied from day to day and were tied closely with changes in supply and demand. At the close of trade Feb. 18, butcher hogs were steady to 75c lower than January's close and sows were steady to \$1 lower at Ft. Worth. Both butchers and sows looked steady to 50c lower at San Antonio. Cattle and calf prices were generally no more than 50c above or below January's close at either yards. In fact, most prices failed to register any change.

Breeding Sheep Continue To Dominate Val Verde Show

RAMBOUILLET breeding sheep were spotlighted in the thirteenth annual Val Verde County Boys' Lamb Show, January 30. Top winners were F. H. (Tuffy) Whitehead, Jr., with a fine John Williams bred ram, and Henry Mills III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mills, Jr., with a John Williams bred ewe.

Tuffy also had the reserve champion ram and T. J. Jarrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward V. Jarrett, had the reserve champion ewe.

The reserve champion ram was bred by Pat Rose, Jr., Del Rio, while Leo Richardson, Iraan, was breeder of the reserve champion ewe.

In the fat lamb class Johnny Ker-

cheville, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Kercheville, Jr., showed the champion and reserve champion fat lamb.

The breeding sheep were judged by J. H. "Bubba" Sims, Miles; fat lambs by Herman Carter, San Angelo, with Pete Gulley, Uvalde, auctioneering the lambs.

Rambouillet ram lambs: 1, Whitehead; 2, Henry Mills III; 3 and 4, T. J. Jarrett.

Yearling Rambouillet rams: 1, Whitehead; 2, Jarrett; 3, Maynard Hill; 4, Jim Cauthorn.

Group of two Rambouillet rams: 1, Whitehead; 2, Jarrett; 3, Mills; 4, Hill.

Rambouillet ewe lambs: 1, Mills; 2, Hill; 3, Bill Cauthorn; 4, Jarrett.

Yearling Rambouillet ewe: 1, Jarrett; 2 and 3, Mills; 4, Jim Cauthorn. Group of two Rambouillet ewes: 1, Mills; 2, Jarrett; 3, Cauthorn; 4, Hill. Flock class, three animals, both sexes: 1, Jarrett; 2, Mills; 3, Hill; 4, Cauthorn.

Heavy whiteface muttons: 1, Kenneth West; 2, Hadley Wardlaw; 3, Ed Beauford; 4, Robert Williams.

Light whiteface muttons: 1, Cody Wardlaw; 2, Benny Tanksley; 3, May-

nard Hill; 4, David Killingsworth.

Heavy blackface muttons: 1, Kercheville; 2, Eddie Marvin; 3, Hadley Wardlaw; 4, Bucky Beasley.

Light blackface muttons: 1, Kercheville; 2 and 3, Hill; 4, Cody Wardlaw.

The showmanship award in the Val Verde livestock show went to Bill Cauthorn, Del Rio. Bill also was named best all around 4-H Club boy of the year.



CHAMPION AT DEL RIO

Tuffy Whitehead and Champion Ram of Val Verde Lamb Show.



CHAMPION LAMBS AT DEL RIO

Johnny Kercheville, right, is shown holding his champion fat lamb of the Val Verde livestock show. He also had reserve champion lamb shown here being held by Pat Yancey. Johnny won a hat full of ribbons and an armful of trophies presented by Mrs. Marvin Ratliff and Mrs. F. O. Marvin.



SWEETHEARTS

Pretty Ellen Belcher is the current Sweetheart of the Del Rio F. F. A. In addition to Sweetheart, she is also currently called "The Wrecker."



(above)

Attractive Jonella Robertson is the 4-H Club Sweetheart this year.



THEY WATCHED THE JUDGING

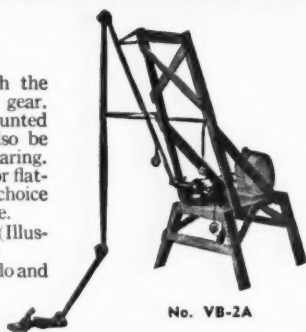
For many years the ranch people of Val Verde County have been keenly watching the annual livestock show and this photograph shows how seriously and enthusiastically the Val Verde County citizens watch the competition on the show date. In the corner in black sun shades is Mrs. C. B. Wardlaw. Immediately in front of her is one of the veteran ranchmen of the southwest, R. L. "Bob" Miers of Del Rio, whose keen interest in the show was spurred by several grandson exhibitors.

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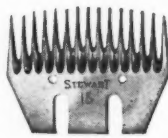
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Analyzing Livestock And Meat Situation

By SHEEP AND GOAT RAISER CHICAGO BUREAU

TEXAS cattle and lambs fed in the Cornbelt this winter have been making money and it is regrettable that the Southwest couldn't have handled more livestock. For about two years now margins have been in the red. Of course hogs have proven a bonanza since early last year — to growers, but not to pork processors. Right now, at mid-February, big packers complain about very severe cutout losses, ranging as high as \$10.00 per head on heavy sows. Beef has been and still is too cheap to permit fresh pork to be retailed in line with live hog prices, the average price of which has stood well above \$25.00 most of the winter at big market centers and at concentration points. Top at Chicago and elsewhere has fluctuated from \$26.25 to \$27.00, mostly \$26.50 for days on end. And as butchers become seasonally heavier there has been an increasing supply of 250 to 325 lbs. at \$24.25 to \$25.75 and above. There is no pork to speak of in storage and on abnormally light winter runs killers, even if willing, have been unable to build up cellar stocks. Hog prices have been far too high anyway as measured by fat steers, with 60 to 120 day fed kinds predominating, winding up the first two weeks of February with an average price below \$23.00. That top light prime steers have recently topped at \$31.50 doesn't mean much when there isn't much to sell above \$28.00, and when \$21.00 to \$25.50 kinds predominate.

With pork so scarce and high-priced as to offer little or no competition, beef has had clear sailing all winter. Dressed lamb stayed relatively low, holding top lambs at \$22.00 down until scarcity led to a ground swell as February wore along and the top in the live trade at Chicago went to \$23.00, with \$24.00 in sight — maybe. Lambs ran freely from December on from cornbelt feedlots and off Southwest wheat, leaving little for March except intermountain feedlots. And the source of supply there was small. The Imperial Valley in California has been taking its time in getting out from under a record supply of shorn old croppers at slowly but steadily advancing prices but the west coast had done little in February about agreeing on prices for spring lambs, estimated numerically about like last year, but probably a little heavier. Virtual absence of Texas yearlings at Chicago and other mid-western markets all winter showed how the cornbelt laid off last summer and fall after having lost a hatful for two years in a row. The few yearlings that did show up after Indiana and Illinois grazing and feeding made money and likewise made erstwhile wether handlers regret that their foresight hadn't been as clear as their hindsight. But no one in livestock trusted their foresight last summer.

We repeat that buyers were unusually timid last summer not only in replacement sheep and lambs, but cattle as well. Reasons? Previous feeding losses amounting to financial embarrassment in many instances, and hesitancy regarding the current winter market now rather satisfactorily in progress. Inbetween and lower grade steers and heifers are still showing a feeding profit, but not as much as during January. This letdown stems from the fact that finishers everywhere grabbed profits when they saw any, hence overloaded the markets and upset the dressed beef trade in adjustment from a record summer supply of choice and prime beef to a predominance of commercial to just average choice grades. Hogs and pork didn't hurt, but even the mild national letdown in business was not a help even if not much of a hindrance. Big cattle runs remained the problem, with more finishers off long term feeding than usual. Following up and downs in November and December, January was so prosperous that finishers overdid it late in the month and during the first half of February until sharp losses substantially reduced feeding margins. Up to about the middle of February cattle receipts, mainly 75 day feds, at 12 big markets for the year to date, stood approximately at 1,255,000 head compared with 1,080,000 head a year earlier. Hog and sheep figures were down, hogs rather spectacularly so. The

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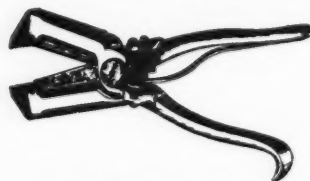
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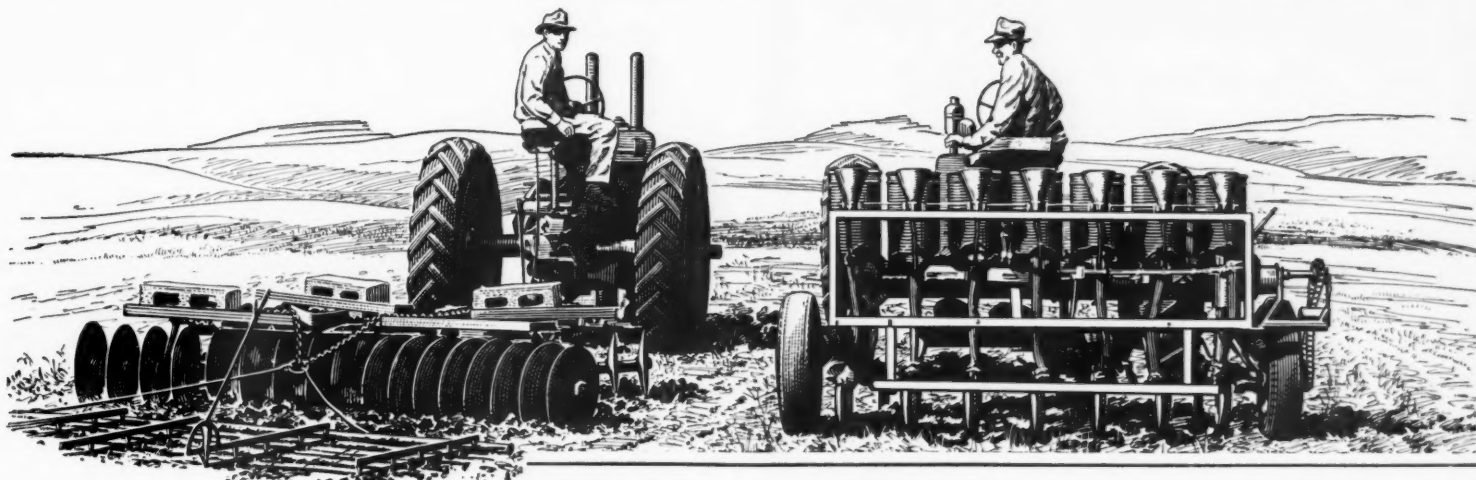
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Range Weeds or Grass, Not Both

by Professor E. W. Tisdale,
University of Idaho, Moscow

With no new ranges to turn to, we must make more intensive use of existing lands. One way to produce more feed per acre is to get rid of weeds. There are three main approaches:

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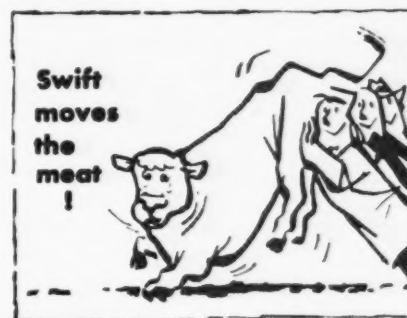
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Livestock Report

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Southwest marketed livestock off wheat pastures freely, all the while at best prices, costs considered, in a long while.

Hence the fat cattle and, to some extent, the lamb trade is mindful of the fact that winter feeding to date has been fairly remunerative because replacements were laid in last summer and early fall at record lows since World War II. While prospective graziers and winter finishers were trying to crystal-ball the future, the big market weekly average price of stock cattle mid-July fell very close to \$14.00. A little more confidence by September 1 uncovered a \$15.60 average, then broader buying and increasingly higher prices in sympathy with an advancing killer trade until the January 1 figure was above \$17.00 and early February mildly above \$19.00 at 8 markets and approximately \$17.75 at Fort Worth. Looking back, Fort Worth sold utility and commercial grade steers to killers at \$9.00 to \$11.00 last September 7 but received \$12.00 to \$14.00 early in February this year. Over this period slaughter cows gained \$1.00 to \$2.00, strangely enough showing the most

advance everywhere after federal buying ended in December.

But since replacements have risen sharply, the problem for the future fat market is to absorb this increase in maintaining, preferably improving, the killer trade on steers selling at \$24.50 down to \$18.00 and below. And on heifers at \$23.50 down, it being trade opinion that steers fat enough to bring \$27.00 and heifers \$25.00 and better will take care of themselves, for awhile at least. All admit that beef is still the problem. A few months hence there will be the added irritant of much more pork.

LOTS OF SHEEPMEN

DAVID WATTERS, Delaine breeder and Soil Conservation District Supervisor for Brown and Mills County District, believes that there are approximately 1,500 stockmen in Mills County and that about 1,400 of them run some sheep. Mr. Watters points out that during the past two years the sheep population has probably dropped about 15% but now the trend is back upward. He points out that small places which are well improved make good money out of running sheep even on land which under such circumstances of improvement is priced at around \$100 per acre. Unimproved land around Lometa is priced at around \$40 per acre with most of the places in strong hands and few transfers being made.

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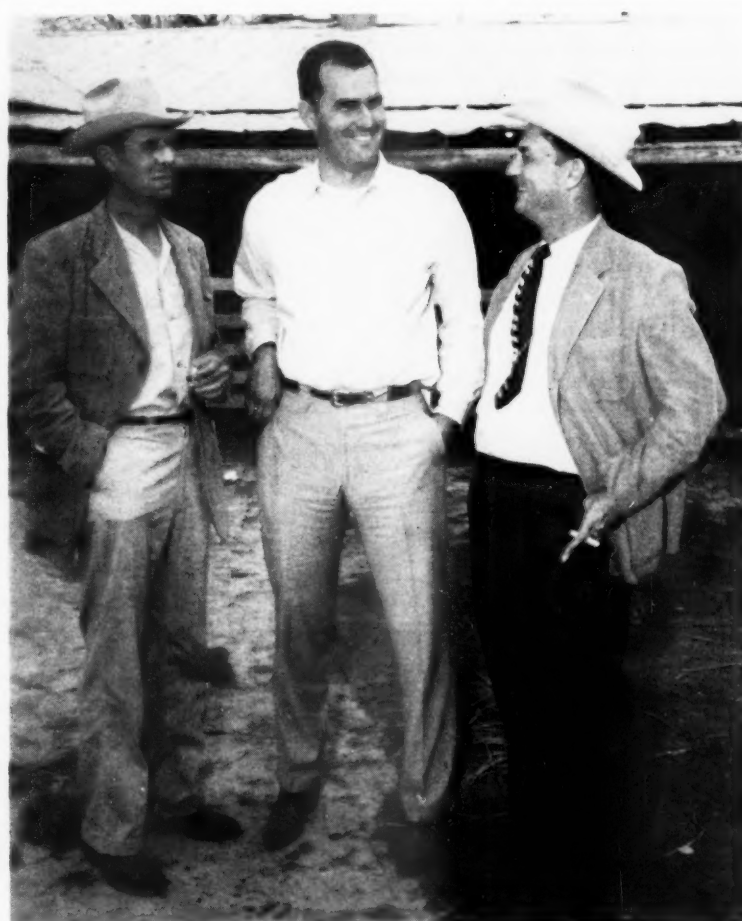
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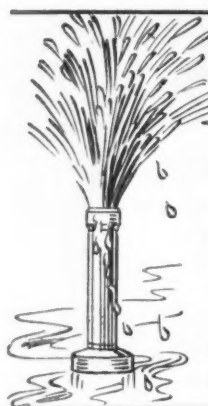
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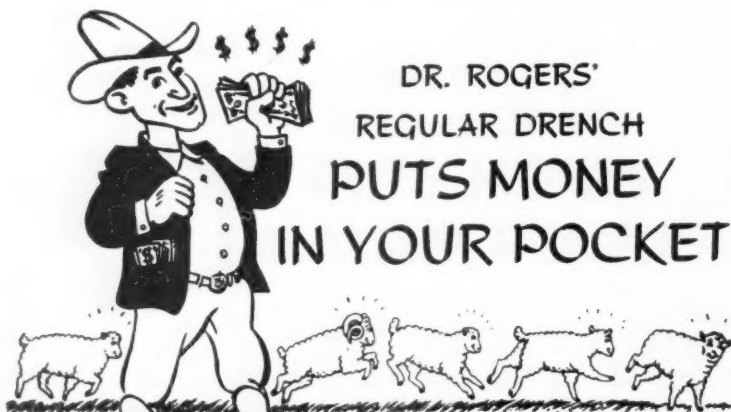


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Asks Investigation Of Critical Wool Textile Situation

President of Botany Mills Says Government Policies And Subsidized Imports Are Causing Communities To Exchange "Payrolls for Bread Lines"

A SPECIAL Senate investigation into the reasons for the increasingly critical situation in the American wool growing and wool textile industries, which is causing whole communities to "exchange pay envelopes for bread lines," is urged by George W. Shaddock, President of Botany Mills, Inc., in a letter to Senator H. Alexander Smith of New Jersey made public recently.

The recession in the wool industries, Mr. Shaddock declares, is due in large measure to Government "national and international policies over which industry has no control." Unless they are corrected, he adds, "the present situation must inevitably have serious economic results on a group of basic and essential industries which rank high among the country's largest sources of employment both as regards volume of output and amount of wages paid."

Textile manufacturing countries in Europe, Mr. Shaddock declares, are dumping disastrously large quantities of subsidized wool textiles into the American market to the point where imports are running at a rate approaching twelve per cent of the "pure wool textile production of the United States."

"It is impossible," he states, "for

any American industry, no matter how superior its techniques, to compete against foreign lower capital and labor costs, plus subsidies granted by foreign nations to facilitate dumping their products into the American markets."

Industry Modernized and Efficient

During this period Mr. Shaddock adds, "no efforts have been spared in the wool industries to modernize operations and improve efficiency of production and distribution. At Botany Mills, for example, during 1953 we reorganized and streamlined our production and distribution with the advice of the best industrial engineers obtainable. We reorganized and improved our executive and sales personnel. We have drastically reduced our overhead costs and are sparing no efforts to produce new and sales stimulating products at the lowest possible and most competitive price levels. Botany, and indeed the entire wool growing and wool textile industries, however, are being subjected to abnormal national and international economic pressures over which we have no control. Only a full and thorough investigation which will assemble, study and correct the complex factors which have resulted in the present

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dislocation can restore the industry as a whole to full economic health.

Europe Subsidizes Exports; Limits Imports

"It is an acknowledged fact," Botany's President declares, "that with few exceptions every wool textile manufacturing country in Europe has developed and is increasing its program of subsidies on behalf of its textile manufacturers who export to dollar countries. As this contest in subsidies becomes more intense the exporting countries are protecting their own markets by complete impositions against textile imports or by the establishment of rigidly enforced quotas. This situation emphasizes the important fact that the Reciprocal Trade Treaties negotiated with these countries are in fact a one-way street."

The subsidies granted foreign wool textile manufacturers, Mr. Shaddock points out: "followed a reduction in tariffs on raw wool and wool products made as part of the Reciprocal Trade Treaties, which in many instances approached the legal limit permitted by Congress."

They came also, he says, at a time of increasing capital costs and wage rises in this country, and when rapidity of communications "has placed the mills of Bradford, Lyons, Brussels, Amsterdam, Aachen and Milan but a few hours more distant from American markets than are our own New England, southern and western mills."

Urges Survey and Report By Government Agencies

Urging that the suggested Senate Committee should be empowered to

call to its assistance industrial engineers, and trade analysts to make a thorough study of the production of wool and wool products, Mr. Shaddock says:

"Since this is a subject of overwhelming importance to our national economy, funds for the undertaking should be made available from the sums accruing from tariff duties on imported wool. Funds from these duties, I am informed, comprise the largest sum collected on any single imported commodity. Another source of funds could be obtained from those

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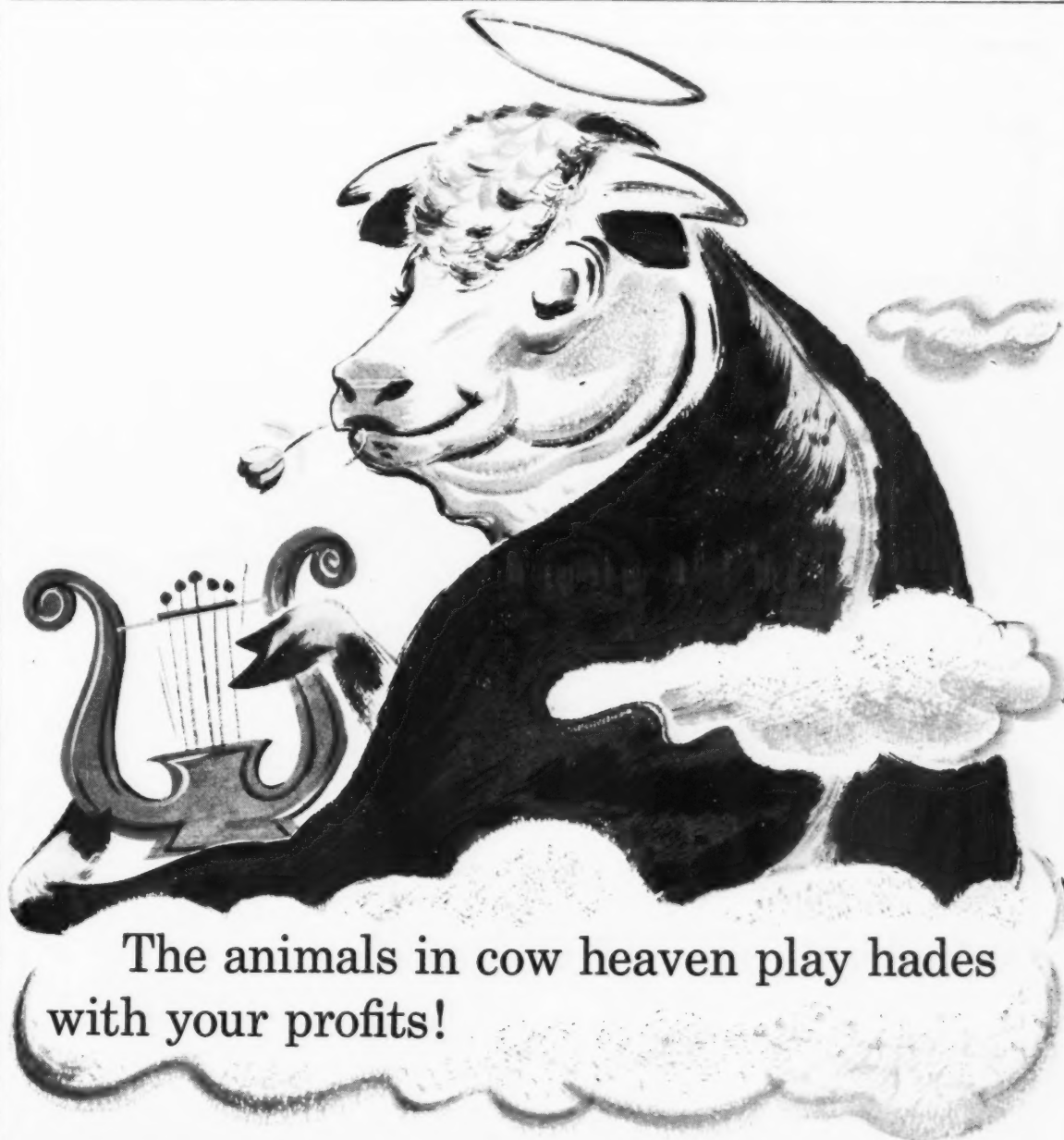
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Textile Situation

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available to the Department of Agriculture from the Hope-Flannigan Marketing Act."

Mr. Shaddock declares there are abundant facts and figures available to document the statements made in his communication.

"Such a Committee as I suggest could require the Department of

Commerce, our commercial attaches and the numerous representatives of the various government agencies operating in foreign countries to disclose the extent of the financial aid being extended to foreign wool textile industries and the foreign government agencies acting on their behalf.

"They should be requested to inform the committee as to the details of the subsidies being granted importers of wool textiles into the United States by France, Belgium, Holland, Western Germany, Italy, and other countries. Information regarding the prohibitions against textile imports into these countries should also be obtained to emphasize the apparent fact that the Reciprocal Trade Treaties negotiated by the United States with these countries are in fact a one-way street."

Mr. Shaddock advised Senator Smith he was sending copies of his communication to members of Congress from states which are centers of wool growing and wool textile manufacture, and to organizations whose communities are suffering from the present situation.


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THE AMOUNT of molasses used in livestock feed has increased sharply since the end of World War II and was at the record level of 300 million and 334 million gallons, respectively, in 1952 and 1953. Heavy imports during the past two years were largely responsible for the greater supplies, although domestic production has also increased in recent years. The amount of molasses used for making alcohol and alcoholic products also was larger last year than for any year since 1946. The amount of molasses available for feeding in 1954, especially in the first half of the calendar year, will probably be somewhat below the record level of 1953.

Butane pear burners are taking over from the old kerosene fueled toasters, according to Roy Woodward of the Texas Pear Burner Company of Pear-sall. "At least 90% have gone to Butane in the past three years." He points out that the drouth has hurt pear seriously.

James Urbantke, San Angelo 4-H Club boy, showed a crossbred Suffolk-Delaine lamb to the championship in the Tom Green County Livestock Show January 20. He showed the champion fine wool lamb at San Antonio last year. Some 112 lambs were exhibited.

Edwin Sawyer was named to the board of directors to succeed the late E. F. Vander Stucken at the annual meeting of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company, February 2. Re-elected were Ed C. Mayfield, president; W. A. Miers, first vice-president; Fred T. Earwood, executive vice-president and manager; A. C. Elliott, secretary, and George H. Neill, treasurer. The following directors were re-elected: Joe M. Vander Stucken, Dan Cauthorn, E. D. Shurlev, Bryan Hunt, B. M. Halbert, Jr., S. H. Allison, L. W. Elliott, W. H. Karnes, Ben F. Meckel, Joe B. Ross.



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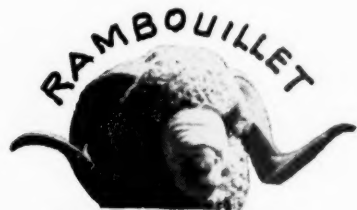
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RAMBLINGS

By JACK TAYLOR

BREEDERS who have become active members of the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association since the last issue of this magazine include: Billy Dan Sorrell — Eden, Texas; Fresno State College — Fresno, California; Gillespie Co. 4-H Club — Fredericksburg, Texas; Gene Conley — Paint Rock, Texas; Carrol W. Hinds — Del Rio, Texas; and R. Kuykendall — Steelville, Illinois.

The stock show season in Texas is rapidly coming to a close. The junior Rambouillet exhibitors have done an excellent job putting the breed before the public. Their sheep have shown excellent breeding and quality; have been well fitted and handled. In spite of the fact that this was the first year that separate classes were provided for these young breeders at the State Fair and San Antonio shows, the junior division was the highlight in the breeding sheep division. As a result of this fine support these shows are considering providing classes for at least one other breed next year. Many county agents from sheep producing counties not currently sponsoring junior breeding sheep have indicated they plan to add this phase to their club work as soon as the drouth permits.

One Rambouillet ewe lamb (dropped in Nov. 1952) at the Val Verde County Show weighed 171 pounds a few days before showing January 30.

A letter recently received by the Association office from Dr. Eugene B. Bertone, Sheep and Wool Specialist at Quito, Ecuador, states: "You may be interested to know, if indeed you do not know it already, that since writing you last we have imported 90 rams and over 400 ewes — all Rambouillets."

"Trade shows confidence in outlook for fine wool" was a recent headline in the Commercial Bulletin, published in Boston.

Here is another example of how rough the drouth is in the Texas sheep country. One Association member has let his entire flock out to another stockman for a year. The man with the grass will receive all the wool and lambs, and our member will get back only his original sheep. A high lease? Yes, but it's better than losing a good foundation flock.

David Durham, 4-H Club member from Sterling City, Texas, has been having a hard time increasing the size of his flock. In three years, his three foundation ewes have raised eleven buck lambs and not a single ewe lamb.

The California Livestock News recently printed the following: "Strange

as it may seem," The San Francisco Chronicle, December 13, mentioned: "Robert Evans, a lifer at Leavenworth Penitentiary, sawed through an iron bar with a wool thread from his socks."

Mrs. Ilo V. Irvin, new member from Buena Vista, Colorado, is quite enthusiastic about the results of her first show. She won both reserve champions and three second places at the National Western at Denver. She will exhibit some fleeces at wool shows. Two of her Grabbert Bros. ewes sheared 31 and 32 pounds.

Field Day for the Ram Progeny Test at the Ranch Experiment Station, Sonora, Texas, has been set for May 8th. The rams have gained .54 pounds per head daily since the start of the test.

Members of the Association will be saddened to hear of the death of one of our prominent Wyoming members. Mr. Thomas Pfister of Node, Wyoming, passed away January 14th. His family will continue to operate the flocks as Thomas Pfister & Sons.



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Washington Parade

By JAY RICHTER

IT'S ABOUT an even money bet in Washington on whether the Administration plan for direct payments to support wool prices will be OK'd by Congress.

Idea is to let wool seek its own price in open market. If that price is below 90 per cent of parity, the difference would be made up by a check from the government. The money would come from U. S. tariff charges against foreign wool.

Is there a chance for direct payments on other products — meats and other perishables, for instance? Most farm leaders on Capitol Hill say, No!

Republicans in the past have favored limited use of direct payments. And the National Grange suggests their use in emergencies. But fact is that when ex-Agriculture Secretary Brannan proposed them for a long list of farm products, it aroused a storm

of protests — from Democrats and Republicans alike.

Government researchers now think that an important cause of bloat in cattle can be traced to alfalfa. More specifically, to "Saponins" or associated materials in alfalfa. These are described as plant materials that "produce a soapy lather."

The scientists think that increase of bloat in recent years is due in part to increased use of legumes in pasture mixtures. The new discovery is the first real clue that has come along in government and industry efforts to pin down the causes of bloat.

Research on the problem is to be continued on a broad front by industry, the government, and colleges.

There are signs that Capitol Hill

farm leaders could lose their battle for 90-per-cent supports on "basic" crops, after all. It's not likely, but it is possible.

Benson is pressing hard for flexibles, starting next year. And he appears to be getting strong support from the President. Some insiders now think Eisenhower would veto Capitol Hill extension of 90 per cent supports beyond this year.

In that case, it is doubtful that the Congress could muster the two-thirds vote needed to over-ride a veto.

Benson is using mounting surpluses — and the need for more and more funds to put crops under loan — as his big argument against rigid supports. He now says that an increase to \$8½ billion in CCC funds may not be enough to keep support operations going.

An "enormous miscalculation" was made by USDA, he told Congress, in figuring the amount of crops going under loan. He warned that consumers might "rise up" and insist on an end to all price-support action by the government — unless supports are flexed.

Republicans fondly hope that the farm issue can be compromised. That is true in the White House as well as on Capitol Hill. Practically all hands agree it would be profitable to kiss and make up before the elections next fall.

Compromisers are hoping to sell the idea that price-support disagreement is more academic than realistic. Their point is that a few cents difference in support prices won't solve the big problem of surpluses. With supplies piling to record highs, they say,

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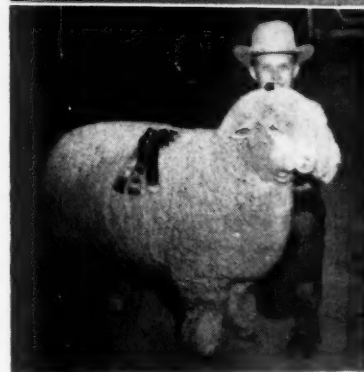
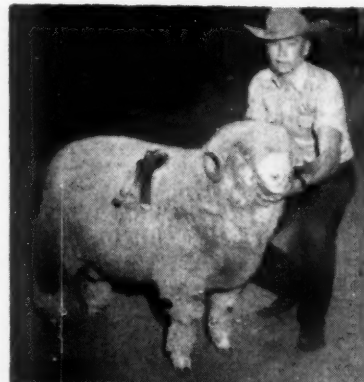
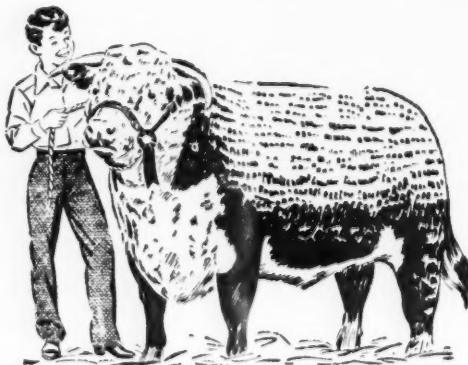
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CHAMPION BUCK

S. W. Dismukes of Rocksprings is a perennial winner of championships in the Angora goat shows. Again at Fort Worth he showed the champion buck in the "B" type competition.

THREE CHAMPIONS (Below)

Joe Brown Ross of Sonora grabbed the lion's share of championships in the Southwestern Exposition at Fort Worth this year. He is shown with his champion "B" type doe and champion "C" type buck and doe.



GLIMP CHAMPION

Hudson Glimp of Burnet has been one of the most alert of the young sheep breeders of the state during the past few years and he has done a remarkable job with his Delaine sheep. Here he is shown holding his reserve champion ram of the Southwestern Exposition at Fort Worth, which was the champion ram of the San Antonio show. With him, left, is a friend, Lillie Beth Teague of Route 1, and his sister, Lela Jo.

UR LOGICAL MARKET

Crouch Elected To Head Purebred Sheep Breeders Association

W. E. CROUCH, Waxahachie, was elected president of the Purebred Sheep Breeders Association of Texas in its annual meeting at Fort Worth, February 2. Mr. Crouch succeeds T. R. Hinton of Keller.

The business meeting which was preceded by a membership dinner at the Worth Hotel was well attended and the breeders heard from Ray Wilson of the State Fair Association, Ted Gouldy of Fort Worth and a number of others interested in the industry. Mr. Wilson notified the sheepmen that the State Fair was setting up the Pan American Exposition as the permanent name and event with special efforts to be made to secure more attendance from Pan American livestock interests. He pointed out also that there would be a Junior Delaine breeding sheep class added for the 1954 show, more or less as an experiment to test the junior breeding sheep show idea.

Directors for the coming year were elected as follows:

Shopshire Director: Movelda Mad-dux, Decatur; Southdown Director:

Hamilton Choat, Olney; Corriedale Director: W. M. Arnold, Blanco; Columbia Director: Louis Nagy, Boerne; Rambouillet: Miles Pierce, Alpine; Director at large: Clint Shirley, Fort Worth; Fine wool breed director: J. P. Heath, Argyle; Mutton type breed director: Tom Hinton, Keller.

Named secretary of the association to succeed Jim Heath was Tom Hinton of Keller. Elected vice-president of the association was Otho Whitefield, Friona.

The 1955 annual meeting was set for a date during the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth.

The next annual show-sale will be held at Temple and dates are April 30 and May 1. The show will be held on the first day and the auction the second day.

Directors of the Purebred Sheep Breeders Association of Texas expressed in resolution form thanks to Swift & Company and to Tom Glaze, its agricultural director, for the fine help that this firm has given in advertising lamb.

Loans Cover Very Little Wool In the Southwest Area

SOUTHWEST wool growers have very little wool under Commodity Credit Corporation's 1953 support price program, according to the Boston commodity stabilization office.

This is the office that handles the wool program for the entire country.

Colorado has more loans than any of the southwest states . . . around 355. These loans cover about 4 million 960 thousand pounds of wool. Only three loans were made in Texas, covering about 222,000 pounds. Oklahoma had one loan on 255 pounds and Louisiana and Arkansas, five, covering about 13,000 pounds.

All of these loans, with the exception of 61 in Colorado, are held by CCC. These 61 in Colorado are held by approved lending agencies.

Nationally, 2,191 loans are outstanding at the present time. Most of them are in Idaho, Utah and Wyoming . . . also Colorado. These loans carry around 28 million pounds of wool as collateral. This collateral . . . at 90 per cent of parity . . . amounts to around 17 million dollars.

Nonrecourse loans are available again under this year's program. These will be available to wool growers from May 1 through next March 31. These loans will mature in six months from the date of the note or March 31, 1955, whichever is earlier.

The minimum national average sup-

port price for wool under the 1954 program is 52.1c per pound, grease basis. This minimum reflects a 90 per cent of parity support price. Loan rate schedules by grades and classes will be announced around April 1.

The Bass Ranch of Valley Mills was reported the latter part of February to have purchased from Fred Wright of Brownwood 250 head of two-year-old Angora mutton goats at \$9 a head, in the hair. It was estimated that the goats would probably shear over five pounds of mohair each.

Owen Brothers, San Saba, have sold 8,500 lambs out of the wool at 18 cents a pound for April and May delivery, the lambs to average 70 pounds minimum. They have contracted their wool clip from the lambs through the Hollis Blackwell warehouse, San Saba, at 70 cents. They reported that about half of the lambs in the San Saba area had been contracted by the middle of February for April and May delivery.

Amos Womble, San Angelo sheep buyer and stockman, suffered serious injuries in an automobile accident, February 10. He has undergone surgery but is reported to be improving at Shannon Hospital in San Angelo.

CAN YOU HELP?

EDGAR C. WENZLOFF, Route 1, Box 134, Reedsville, Wisconsin, writes for the address of the Leicester and Scotch Highland Sheep Breeders Association. He also desires to secure the name and address of a manufacturer of electric wind generating plants of 110 volts. Can you help out?

The Columbia Sheep Breeders Association reports 12 new members. The new members bring the organization membership to 852. One new member is T. G. Waldemar, Crowley, Louisiana, who has recently purchased some registered Columbias from Heard and Otho Whitefield of Friona, Texas. These are the first Columbias to go into Louisiana.

M. D. Bryant of San Angelo recently sold to Hays and Jackson 3,500 mutton lambs out of the wool for April 15 delivery from his Tankersley ranch. It was estimated the lambs will weigh around 100 pounds.

Nathan Allen, who has been an instructor in Animal Husbandry at Texas Technological College for nearly three years, has accepted a position as fieldman for the Texas Hereford Association.



CHAMPION RAMBOUILLET EWE

Miles Pierce is shown with the champion Rambouillet ewe of the Southwestern Exposition — one of the nicest and best balanced ewes shown this year.

One of the up and coming Angora breeders is Charley Chaney of Utopia. With his two sons he is building an excellent herd which will shear at least four pounds of spring mohair. His bucks averaged eight pounds. All his livestock is doing good on brush and a little extra feed.

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Washington

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it will take more than the support structure to keep up farm income.

Benson & Co.'s budget reveals the Secretary is sticking to his guns — but also inviting some hot counter-fire from Congress. By asking for about a 10 per cent cut in USDA funds — but more money for extension and scientific studies — Benson is carrying out his dual promise for (1) economy, and (2) more stress on "research and education."

For Extension work, in Washington and the states, Benson asks for almost one-third more money, for research by USDA and the states about 15 per cent more. Meantime, he would clash hardest into FHA and REA loan funds.

The Secretary would reduce "new"



INTERESTED

Mack Baucom, Santa Anna, and Barbara Watson, Novice, watch and help the Santa Anna boys in the livestock shows.

REA loans for electrification from \$135 million this year to \$55 million in the new fiscal year that starts July 1. The cut, he says, would be offset by "carryover" funds from prior years. He asks for an increase in new REA loan money for telephones — up to \$75 million from \$67,500,000.

FHA production loans would be cut by Benson from \$140 million to \$120 million. This year, FHA has had \$16½ million for farm housing loans. Benson requests nothing for housing loans next year.

If you need help on the farm you'll probably find men easier to come by this year. Anyhow, Washington thinks so.

There have been layoffs in industrial plants, and this is expected to bring more seasonal hands. Meantime, surveys show, fewer farm workers are leaving for the city.

Don't take to heart the figures you may see in some general circulation magazines about the cost of farm price supports. One such publication recently said "farm-price subsidies" have cost some \$14 billion since 1929. Fact is that price programs have cost about one-tenth that much. More than \$2 billion was spent by the government during the war on food commodities, but these were consumer subsidies — payments made to keep retail prices down.

USDA recently issued a report on the "Cost of All Agricultural and Related Programs" from 1932 to 1953. It referred to a \$14 billion figure. But this includes much more than price programs, as Sen. Milton R. Young of North Dakota pointed out in these words:

"It includes the cost of the school lunch program, which undoubtedly is of more benefit to non-farm school children than it is to farmers themselves; it includes the cost of the Sugar Act, which is self-financing; it includes the so-called naval stocks program; it includes all the money loaned under the REA program on which farmers have a repayment record of more than 99 per cent.

"It includes the cost of the Farmers' Home Administration program and all other credit programs carried on by the Department of Agriculture for these many years. Most of this money has been paid back to the Government of the United States, with interest."

There's one in the mill on Capitol Hill that could mean savings this year — in soil fertility and farm income. It is legislation that asks direct payment to farmers for putting "diverted" acres into soil-saving use, instead of cash crops.

If you are taking some acres out of wheat, for instance, due to production controls, you could apply for the payment. Provided, that is, that you "conserved" the acres instead of planting something else.

Amount of payment being talked is up to \$9 for a diverted wheat acre, \$17 for cotton, and \$13 for corn.

That may not be enough to keep many acres from being planted to substitute cash crops, say farm leaders — but the payments could help some.

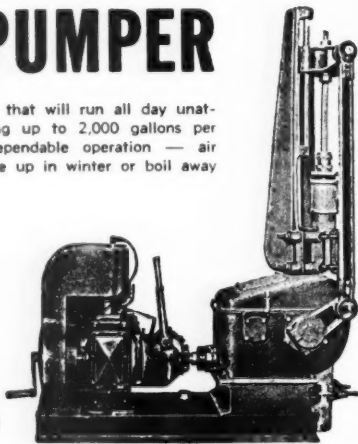
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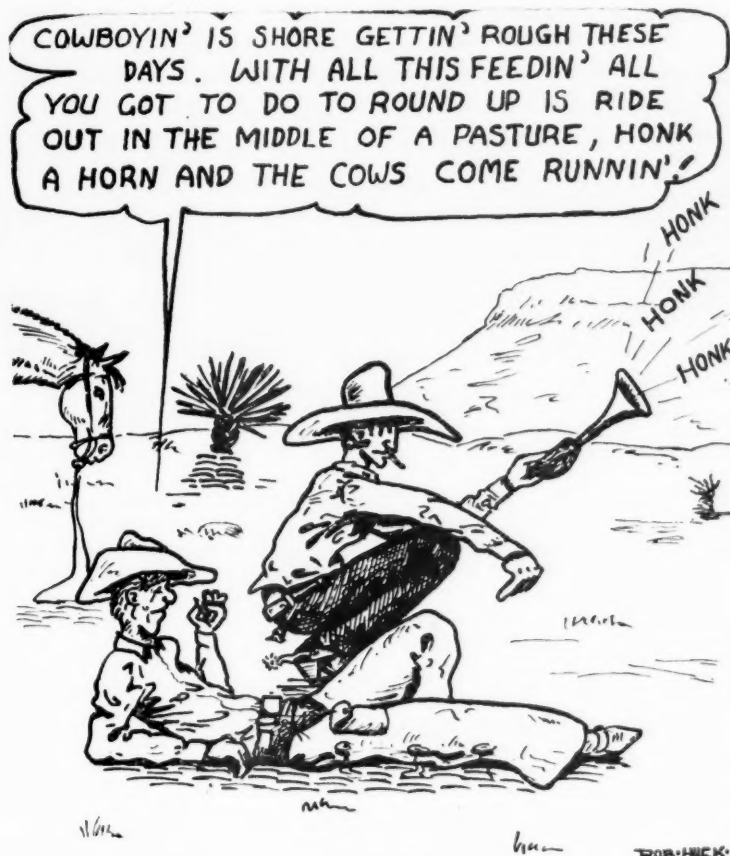
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THE NEED for water is increasing a lot faster than new supplies are being developed. Texas is using $2\frac{1}{2}$ times as much water now as in 1940. The widespread drouth forced 1,000 towns and cities to use drastic water economy measures and water was hauled by rail to many of these communities.

It takes about 50 gallons of water to grow one pound of grass, 500 gallons to produce one bushel of corn, over 1,200 pounds to grow one pound of beef and 65,000 gallons are required to manufacture a ton of processed steel.

A lot of the current water needs could be provided if the soil and water conservation program recommended by soil conservation districts were put into effect on most of the land.

U. S. D. A. livestock scientists at Beltsville, Maryland, have come up with a sure fire method of saving pasture and labor in livestock feeding and grazing research. They're using identical twin calves. Feeding and grazing research results from one pair of identical twins is equal to that from 20 sets of unrelated calves.

The nearer a stockman can get to a green grass diet for livestock year-long, the better the animals like it and the cheaper it is. You can have it now by self-feeding grass silage stacked on top of the ground. Succulent and nutritious silage can be fed in winter when pasture and range grasses are dormant. Corn, Johnson-grass, sudan, sorghum, grass and legumes make good silage and should be harvested when young seedheads have been formed. Legumes should be put up during the early blossoming period.

The United States has converted 35 million acres that formerly grew horse and mule feed to other crops during the last 20 years.

The net increase in American population is presently 5,000 per day. At this rate of increase there will be 40,000,000 more people in 1975 than now. At that time we will need 25 percent more meat.

Soil conditions were poorer under mesquite trees than under grass, according to information recently released by the U. S. Forest Service, Tucson, Arizona. Both chemical and physical properties were better under grass than under mesquite. Soil under mesquite was coarser and pore

space was less. Also moisture conditions and surface structure of soil was less satisfactory.

Fort Hays, Kansas, experimenters found that reseeded western wheatgrass and intermediate wheatgrass produced about the same amount of beef per acre. Per acre yield from these two grasses was about twice that from a pure stand of planted buffalograss.

Rain during the growing season makes for bigger calves at weaning time, according to results from the state and federal research station at Miles City, Montana. For every inch that rainfall was below normal, calf weights dropped 17 pounds below average. The Montana workers also report the biggest calves at birth weighed the most at weaning time. Also cows that winter best turn off the heaviest calves at shipping time.

You don't have to dose animals with Vitamin A supplements when they get green grass on the range. Livestock store up enough Vitamin A when on green grass to last them for 2 or 3 months after they go on dry feed.

Our evergreen shrubs like chamiso and guajillo are sources of Vitamin A in winter. During drouth most of our browse plants are low in Vitamin A and carotene.

Vitamin A needs can be readily supplied to animals on dry feed by feeding green leafy alfalfa at the rate of 8 to 10 pounds per animal unit twice a week.

Careful handling of livestock to prevent loss of meat after it is produced is one of the most important conservation practices. Prevention of meat losses from bad handling is an indirect way of saving grass, hay and concentrates.

Careless handling of sheep, poor bedding, lifting by the wool, unsatisfactory loading and unloading corrals and chutes are responsible for 60% of the damaging bruises inflicted on sheep that go to our slaughter houses. Carelessness in handling livestock cause meat losses, due to bruises and crippling, that run as high as 100 tons of beef, lamb and pork per day.

Animals need dry roughage when they are grazing green pasture plants high in moisture. Green plants that are over 75 percent moisture provide an animal more to drink than to eat.

A grown cow needs about 30 pounds of dry matter per day. She would have to eat 150 pounds of grass that carried 80 percent moisture in order to get 30 pounds of dry matter. When grass is that wet the average sized cow can't eat enough in a day to care for her body needs so she loses weight unless supplied with dry roughage. Green grass will supply protein, mineral and carotene requirements but dry feed is needed to provide energy

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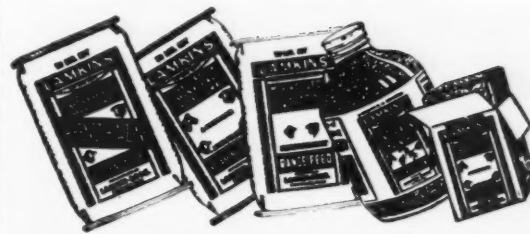
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Dick Smith, superintendent of the Blackland Experiment Station, Temple, Texas, and his men entertained a large number of stockmen guests on January 7. This station is a prime spot to learn about paying ways to farm and graze. Most of grazing comes from small grain and legume mixtures. However, there are some excellent perennial tame pastures with warm season and cool grass and legume combinations.

One native grass area, composed

mostly of little bluestem, big bluestem and Texas wintergrass turned off 152 pounds of beef per acre during 1953, which was a dry year. The gain per acre in 1952 was 142 pounds. Steers gained 2.17 pounds per day which was the highest daily gain made on any of the 10 different types of pastures. All pastures were grazed at the season when grass was at its best.

The Blackland Station cattle were finished in station feedlots. Part of the steers had access to sheds during stormy weather and part were kept in a feedlot without shelter. Gains from both lots were about the same.



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$2\frac{70}{100}\%$ of each dollar was paid to railroads and truckers. We paid them a total of \$56,359,636.



$4\frac{93}{100}\%$ of each dollar was paid for other expenses of running a business. These included maintenance of our buildings, repairs, depreciation, electricity, advertising, interest, etc. These payments totaled \$103,220,863.



$1\frac{12}{100}\%$ of each dollar went for taxes. Our total tax payment was \$23,392,500.



$\frac{49}{100}\%$ of each dollar was the Armour profit. This figure—less than $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% of our total income—was \$10,339,164.

Of particular interest to you is the first figure of this report. From it you see that by far the largest share of the Armour income is spent for farm products, other raw materials and supplies.

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HERE'S a livestock and weather report by postcard from my cousin, Cutworm Johnson, up in the Panhandle. One Texas steer, he writes, raises more dust than three Texas rains can lay.

Cowmen and sheepmen used to shoot each other on sight. Prices bein' what they are this year, now they shoot themselves.

For thousands of years people have grumbled about the weather, and nobody never done nothin' to change it. But just let it interfere with TV signals and we'll get action.

Our parson says worry is a killer. I'm sure worried that all the worryin' I done last year will kill me this year.

If them politishuns think they'll get cheaper votes by lettin' the boys and girls vote at 18, they're fooled. With all the 4-H and FFA trainin' young folks get nowadays, they know enough to get the market or better.

Sen. Mugwump writes home that his program is blocked by speshul in-trests. Same here. My program for peace, quiet and rest is blocked by one wife, four children, 28 grandchildren.

Be thankful if you're your own worst enemy. If you had a worse one you sure wouldn't last long.

The Squawberry Flat Historical Society voted not to put a marker on the spot where I was born, but to wait and mark the spot where I die.

My niece, Deliria, bought herself a fur bathin' suit like that actress wore in Korea. But it didn't do her no good. People just looked at the fur.

Sure, I've done a few good deeds in my time. They were grim duties I tried to dodge, and couldn't.

My spouse, Manzanita, gathered up my Christmas ties for five years back and made a quilt. The ties was too loud to wear and the quilt is too warm to sleep under.

Last deer season, Sledge Wicup got easy shots at six bucks and missed 'em all. He figgers it's take new sights for

his gun and a summer of hard practice on revenooers to bring him back to his old deerlayer form.

My cousin, Mudcat, is so pious he won't eat eggs laid on Sunday. He insists on weekday eggs, but it's all right for his wife to cook 'em on Sunday.

With coffee this high, all us thrifty folks have to substitute lickier. With coffee this high, we couldn't think of usin' it to sober up on. So we just let alcohol take its course.

The old-timers wanted Texas to have more water and good society. Nowadays we're interested only in important things. Give us water.

We set around and growl about prices, but when it comes to taxes we stand right up on our hind legs and howl.

Here lately we've had several showers that plumb ruint the air for breathin'. Washed out all the dust and left the lungs with nothin' to take holt of.

Ringtail Skump says if he had knowed what sort of winter it was gonna be, he'd have put the anti-freeze in himself stead of the radiator.

Well, maybe the A and B bombs will speed the process. But I've got confidence in the human race. If them bombs had never have been invented, some other way would have been found to destroy civilization.

Ain't no poison ever invented that would hold down the rabbit population like high prices at the butcher shop.

The wages of sin is death, and a feller with a fast car can collect before he ever gets to the place where he's goin' to sin.

Hospittles has got so terrible costly they're plumb outa reach for common folk. Costs a man as much to send his wife to a hospittle for three days as to send his car to a repair shop for three hours.

Jack Canning, Eden, has been feeding several thousand lambs on the yards at Prospect, Kansas. He has purchased many thousands of Concho County lambs and lambs in adjacent counties this season but his trading is about over. He was dickering for about 250 head of mixed lambs around the first of February with Walter Pfluger of Eden at 18½ cents a pound — no sale yet but sale probable — and indicates market for in-wool lambs. Shorn lambs according to size, kind and condition are going from 14 to 17 cents and in the Hill Country and most everywhere becoming increasingly scarcer with a firming market.

Ray C. Mowery, head of the Animal Husbandry Department of Texas Technological College, Lubbock, has resigned and will devote full time to his professorship.

THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS
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WHY WE CALL THEM BUCKS

THE WORD "buck" is used rather loosely and in many instances erroneously, we believe. In any instance, the use of buck for a male breeding sheep and also for the Angora goat is confusing and needlessly so.

While the word "billy" is quite often used for the male Angora goat, we believe that most veteran goatmen prefer the word "buck". In popular and jocular description of the garbage-eating, can-eating goat the word

"billy" is almost invariably used and if pictured shows the gaunt, ill-bred dairy-type or Spanish-type animal. Let the common goat and the dairy goat have that word. Call the Angora male a buck.

The word "ram" is the proper word for the male sheep and most of the breeders of quality sheep prefer and use the word.

Tom Bell, manager of the Texas Livestock Marketing Association, San Antonio, is not convinced that the cafes, hotels and butchers are justified

in their holding their price of retail meat. He knows, and he should, the price that the producer gets for his live animals and the spread is too big, he feels, between the producer and consumer. Meat wholesalers, cafes and retailers have held prices up too high and in some areas, especially, have forced the consumer to do without meat — this backs it up in the hands of the producer, believes Mr. Bell.

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Controlling Internal Parasites Becomes Necessary Practice

By R. L. ROGERS, D. V. M.

NUMEROUS experiments have revealed that the incidence of intestinal parasites in cattle is on the increase. A recent check showed that one of every ten calves is infested with tapeworms alone. Other types of worms infest cattle and are equally as dangerous as tapeworms.

All types of internal parasites are of economic importance to stockmen. Worms reduce the total tonnage of beef that is possible to produce, and parasitism reduces the natural resistance of animals to diseases.

When animals are kept free of intestinal parasites they add weight per head and produce a larger, healthier crop of offspring. Ironically the part of the feed that worms like best is that part which produces lean meat.

Years of experience have shown that the best method to use in controlling internal parasites is drenching. By direct application according to its weight each animal gets the correct dose. Chemical post mortem tests of digestive tracts reveal that only in drenching does an effective quantity of medication reach the intestines at the same time. Being prepared in a liquid state drenches quickly disperse throughout the digestive track in quantities much more toxic than the worms can stand yet harmless to the animals.

Animals with heavy infestations, while they may be eating much less than normal, respond quickly to drenching. Repeated experiments show a greatly improved appetite within a few days followed by an accelerated weight gain. To completely clean worms from an animal which is "off its feed", medication must be applied individually.

An infestation of stomach worms can undo all the constructive work a modern feeding program does to build livestock. Modern feeds contain vitamins, minerals, proteins and other vital livestock foods. To be sure livestock are getting full benefit from these expensive feeds, the stockmen should include drenching on regular schedules.

Only through regular drenching can control be obtained. The eggs of stomach worms lie dormant in pastures until they enter a carrier. The reproduction rate of these parasites reaches astronomical figures. Life studies of the broad tapeworm have shown that a single worm may produce several thousand segments whose total egg content may run over 50 million. Post mortem examinations of animals which died before treatment often reveal a tangled mass of tapeworms literally filling a portion of the intestine.

Livestock raisers should include regular drenching in their modern husbandry program to insure stronger livestock; more abundant and healthier offspring and efficient use of vital foods contained in present-day feeds.

Bill Doss has purchased from George Baumgart 1,957 acres four miles south of Millersview at \$65 per acre. 500 acres of the place is in farm and it is known generally as the old Lackey place of that area.

Carson Miles, San Angelo, made an outstanding sale of lambs off grain fields the first of February, selling to Russell Hays and Roy Jackson 93 head of 98 1/3 pound lambs for 19 cents. This is about the top for this year.



TEACHER AND WINNER

J. B. Pettit, center, teacher of Vocational Agriculture at Santa Anna for many years, is shown here with two of his top exhibitors for 1954: Donald Trull and James Allen. Allen had the top lamb in the boys' show at Fort Worth.



SOL MAYER HONORED

San Angelo Rotary Club has bestowed its highest tribute on Sol Mayer, outstanding citizen of West Texas, by conferring a lifetime honorary membership on him. Mr. Mayer, San Angelo ranchman and banker, is well known in this area for his many philanthropies, among them the Tom Green County Library, West Texas Boys Ranch and the local Community Gym. Mr. Mayer was presented with tokens of Rotary membership by E. C. Gunter, president (left). This is the first honorary membership ever awarded by the San Angelo Rotary Club to a non-Rotarian. It is indicative of the high esteem in which Mr. Mayer's philanthropic activities are received in his home community.

FISHING!

January 26, 1954

PLEASE CHANGE the mailing address for my "Sheep and Goat Raiser" from 1100 Santa Rita Street, Silver City, New Mexico, to Guaymas, Sonora, Mexico, Calle 25, Avenida 16, No. 72.

You can publish an item in "Sheep and Goat Raiser" if you care to, that if you or any of your readers care to come down here fishing, they can bed down and cook at my apartment, free. I can show them the roads to bays from 20 to 60 miles from here. If they want to bring a motor boat and camp. For the side-roads to these bays, a truck is necessary as the roads are not good for cars.

They can hire cabin cruisers here for from \$25 to \$40 a day for catching marlin, sail fish and tarpon. If they bring a boat, they can also spear lobsters and big turtles (125 pounds) at night.

They should bring coffee, cornmeal and lightbread. If they camp, should bring gas stoves, as there is no wood. Best to bring a tent, for camping, also gas lanterns.

Fishing is no good right now, as the water is too cold. When water warms up the latter part of March and in April, fishing will be good. You have a number of subscribers in New Mexico and Arizona who are close enough to come here. If any come, they should wire me, so I will be sure to be at home. Guaymas is 262 miles south of Nogales, Arizona, on a paved highway. Am mailing you some views of Guaymas. There is a good airport here, if any should care to come by plane.

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World Wool Production

THE WORLD wool production since the war has increased some 616 million pounds, annual basis. The world production estimate at the end of 1953 is 4,400 million pounds, of which about 60 per cent of the world's apparel requirements and 46 per cent of all wool is produced by Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. These countries have increased their production over the past seven years by nearly 30 per cent and further large increases are anticipated.

Observers point out that while the post-war markets were good over most of the world, those of the United States have been the real spur to the production efforts of Australian, New Zealand and South African producers.

On a competitive basis the growers of the United States have suffered tremendously because of higher labor costs and the lack of large scale, low cost production such as is possible in Australia and elsewhere.

Subsidization through manipulation of the currency and perhaps otherwise, by the governments of the growers of other nations have enabled them to make serious inroads in the markets of United States' producers.

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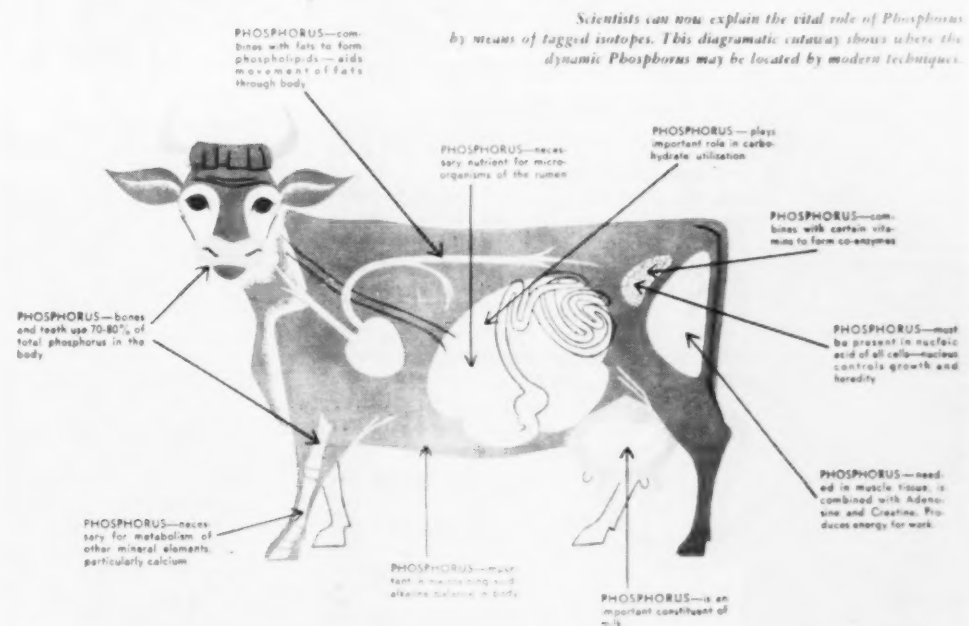
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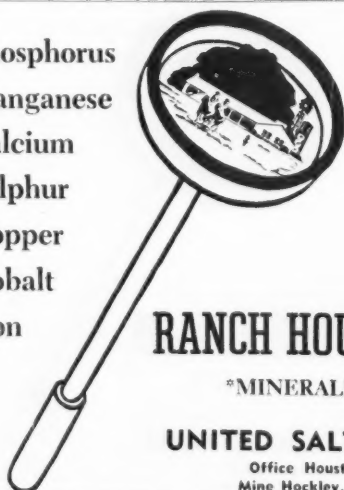
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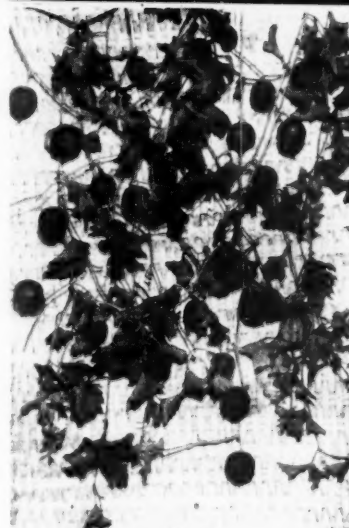
Native Plants That You Will Enjoy

By JEWELL CASEY

WILD AGERATUM (Eupatorium-coelestium) also known as Mist Flower and Floss Flower, is a flat-topped, late-flowering plant, 1 to 2 feet tall, with opposite branches and leaves. The blossoms greatly resemble the Ageratum which is sold by florists, in shades of blue to deep lavender. Each flower is composed of numerous tiny, tubular florets and protruding stamens, giving the flower a fluffy appearance. This plant is usually seen along dry creek beds, or shaded ledges of bluffs, but is easily adapted to home yards by transplanting. It makes a most attractive border plant and fragrant flowers attract butterflies, humming birds and other nectar seeking insects . . .



WILD BALSAM (Ibervillea lindheimeri) also known as Deer Apples, Wild Pomegranate, Snake Apples, Indian Apples, and "Hierba de Vibora" is a climbing, luxuriant vine, very decorative and climbs by tendrils. It has thick leaves, divided into lobes, which come to a point. Flowers, small, greenish-white, grow in clusters. This vine is little noticed in spring and summer, but in late summer and fall it draws much attention because of its fruit — red balls, about the size of plums, hang from the vine which may have draped itself over fences, trellis or trees. The fruit, when green, looks somewhat like a little striped gourd, but when ripe it is a vivid scarlet and may be used in floral arrangements because it loses neither color nor shape for a long time after being gathered. The wild balsam makes a charming vine for covering unsightly walls, fences, or making shade over trellis . . .



THORNLESS CATCLAW (Acacia berlandieri) Acacia, Round-flowered Acacia, or "Huajilla," as it is variously known, is a shrub 3 to 10 feet high, prefers sandy loam soil, but sometimes grows on limestone hills. The plant, with ashy-grey branches, resembles other catclaws, only it has no thorns. It produces exceedingly fragrant flowers, white to yellowish, followed by pods that are 4 to 6 inches long and almost an inch wide. The pods are velvety-smooth and change from green to a delicate peach color, then dark red and finally a rich brown, and are very pretty in dried arrangements. This plant is very ornamental on home grounds, especially pleasing when planted in masses.



Sonny Moore, who has made a habit of showing first place fat lambs, did it again January 30 when he showed the champion and reserve of the Schleicher County Livestock Show at Eldorado. He had a champion with his crossbred and a reserve champion with his fine wool lamb.

The reserve champion fine wool was shown by Archie Mittel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mittel.

One ranchman recently described the Sheep and Goat Raiser as the only paper in the country in which the sheep pictures are bigger than the cattle pictures.

IMPORTANCE OF WATER TO BOTH MAN AND ANIMAL

WATER, at once the most common of substances is, paradoxically, most uncommon with qualities that are rare and unique. Above all, water is the bearer of life. All life is sustained by, and in, protoplasm — a suspension of substances in water. Without water there can be no protoplasm. Without protoplasm there can be no life.

Dehydration of the body is a serious condition. Without water, the gastric juices are so slight in quantity that food cannot be handled in the alimentary tract. Without water, the urea content of the blood and urine becomes highly concentrated. Water is needed to flush it out of the system. Water is an important source of minerals. It helps regulate temperature, both in winter and, to an even greater extent, in summer.

Water Ever Present

Water is present in every tissue of the body, even in the bones and the teeth. It is there through a trick of water known as capillarity. Capillarity draws water into all kinds of places. Wherever there are pores or interstices, it will crawl into them and spread vertically and horizontally, just as it will crawl into and rise in a tube placed in a glass of water.

Water which is taken into the system is nearly all absorbed by the system, only about four per cent being excreted in the feces. Approximately

20 per cent is passed out through the lungs and the remainder through the urine and evaporation from the tongue.

Acts As Solvent

The body does not use water to any great extent in combination with other substances. It acts more as a solvent, water dissolves food particles, and by rendering them into a fine emulsion, increases the rate of food absorption by the intestines. Without water food could not be digested or absorbed. Water is concerned with the broad aspects of secretion, transport and excretion.

Water is necessary to maintain a satisfactory level of concentration for osmosis between blood and lymph — osmosis representing the diffusion of two liquids of differing densities through a permeable but non-porous membrane. While lymph which bathes the tissues will not be very rich, blood coming from the intestines is rich with dissolved food.

Water A Carrier

As a constituent of blood and lymph, water carries food matter to the tissues needing nourishment and carries waste matter from the tissues for excretion. Other glandular secretions, as well as digestive juices, are principally water and the mediums of transport, the blood, lymph and cerebrospinal fluid, contain more than 90

per cent water. Urine and sweat are chiefly water.

Water is a lubricant to body surfaces such as joints, eyes, lungs and the internal organs and it acts as a cushion between the cells of the body.

Atmospheric conditions alter the need for water. In warm, and dry weather, when the rate of excretion from the lungs, skin, kidneys, etc., is higher, there is a greater need for water. Age is another factor. At an early age, the body's tissues contain, and therefore need, more water than at an advanced age, when a constant minimum requirement is attained.

Food A Factor

The nature of food is still another factor in water requirement. The higher the fibre content, the higher the proportion of proteins and minerals in the diet, the greater the need for water. In the case of proteins water is necessary to dilute the urea resulting from the breakdown of protein within the body to the extent that will render it harmless.

Most of the water needed is obtained as drinking water, although practically all foods contain some water. A small but important portion of water is even derived from the breakdown of food within the body. Animals slowly burn the hydrocarbons in food to obtain the heat and other forms of energy that keep them alive. The hydrogen that unites with oxygen in living bodies forms water and this internal production of water is the way some animals get it.

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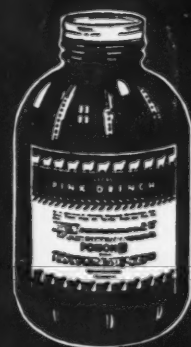


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Shorn and Pulled Wool Supported Through Loans in 1954 Program

THE U. S. Department of Agriculture has stated that pulled as well as shorn wool will be supported through advance and nonrecourse loans under the 1954 wool price support program announced last December. Most other provisions of the 1954 program are similar to those now in effect for the 1953 program.

Nonrecourse and advance loans on both shorn and pulled wool (wool pulled from pelts of slaughtered sheep and lambs) will be available to producers from May 1, 1954, through March 31, 1955. Under the 1953 program, only shorn wool was supported through loans, with pulled wool supported through direct purchases by USDA. This change will put price support for producers of pulled wool on the same basis as for producers of shorn wool.

Nonrecourse loans will mature on April 30, 1955. Advance loans (at not more than 70 percent of the estimated appraisal value of the wool) will be on a recourse basis. These loans, which will mature in six months from the date of the note or on March 31, 1955, whichever is earlier, may also be converted to nonrecourse loans.


In announcing these details for the coming year's program, the USDA stated that if new legislation is enacted for wool price support, the new method may be made available to producers before the end of the marketing year even though the 1954 program is already in operation. In this event, the loan program would be terminated with respect to those producers whose wool has not been pledged to the CC and wool marketed after that date would be eligible for sup-

port under the new program. USDA contemplates that wool placed under the 1954 loan program would be eligible for the new support method provided the loans are redeemed by producers.

The 1954 program, as in 1953, will operate through wool handlers who have been approved to act for USDA. To be eligible for a loan under the 1954 program, wool must be put in a merchantable condition and stored in an approved warehouse prior to February 28, 1955, and the appraisal request, preparatory to making a loan, also must be made by February 28.

As announced on December 9, the minimum national average support price for wool under the 1954 program is 52.1 cents per pound, grease basis. This minimum support price reflects a 90 percent support level for wool. If the parity price of wool as of the beginning of the marketing year (March 15 wool parity price) indicates a higher price, the average support price will be adjusted upward. The final support figure will be announced about April 1. Loan rate schedules by

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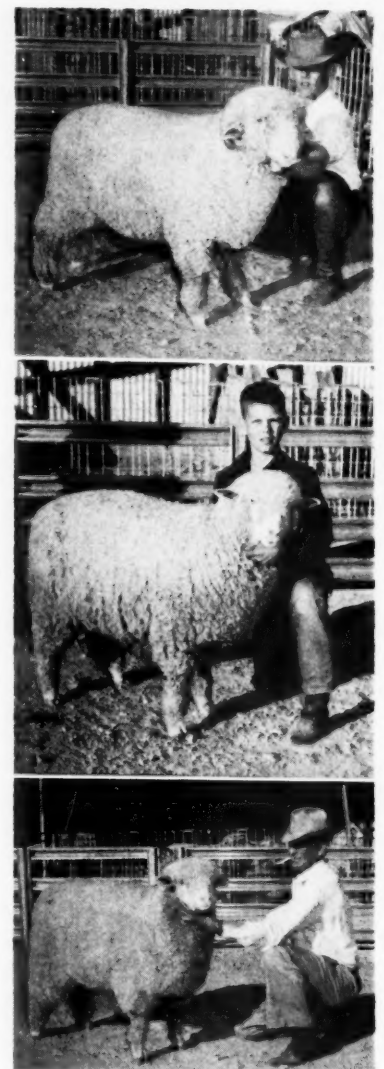
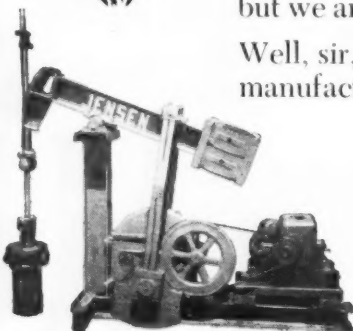
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grades and classes also will be made available at the same time.

Department officials point out that while loan operations under the 1954 program will not begin until May 1, wool shorn or pulled after January 1, which is not eligible for support under the 1953 program, will be eligible for support under the 1954 program. Prior to May 1, handlers and producers can take the required steps (such as grading, putting wool in merchant-

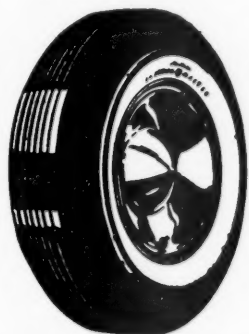
able condition, storing, and making appraisal requests) for loans on their wool.

Through December 1953, loans valued at \$18,07,503 have been made on 31,949,751 pounds of wool under the 1953 program. As of January 20, the USDA stocks of wool amounted to 87,875,000 pounds of shorn wool valued at \$55,642,000 and 6,284,000 pounds of pulled wool valued at \$7,541,000.



CHAMPION AT FORT WORTH

This nice Delaine ram was champion at the Southwestern Show at Fort Worth. Raymond Walston, breeder of Menard, with his friend Jane White Price of Mason, is shown holding the prize winner.



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Texas Delaine News

By MRS. G. A. GLIMP

THE CLOSING of the major show circuits is a very good time to summarize progress made by the exhibitors each year. This year brought out some very good animals that were fed and fitted for the shows with greatest care. This brought about such remarks from interested bystanders as these, "My, those don't look like the wrinkled Merino sheep," and "These Delaines have gone along with progress, too, and have both size and wool." Now, that's exactly what the breeder wants to hear, and when it's evident to the onlookers, we feel we are making progress. We hope next year will create even greater interest among breeders and bystanders.

The Fort Worth Show was well attended and our Junior breeders were in evidence from all sides. Clyde Glimp did a very good job of judging, and the Delaines on exhibit were the type he enjoyed selecting from. R. R. Walston with his record of champions at the shows exhibited both champion ram and ewe. The reserves were shown by Hudson and G. A. Glimp. Joe Benningfield, Chester Berry and Donald Bradford were other young breeders that had done a good job fitting a show flock.

The Houston Show brought out other of our Junior breeders and Dr.

W. G. Kammlade of A.&M. College judged this show. Dr. Kammlade is widely known in every sheep circle and is very thorough and conscientious in selecting top animals. Again R. R. Walston came through with both champions with Joe Benningfield showing the reserve ram and Hobson Miller showing reserve ewe. These boys are members of Goldthwaite F.F.A. and have done exceptionally well in the shows.

The San Antonio Show was the largest of the three shows this year in breeders exhibiting and numbers on exhibit. Supt. James A. Gray was very pleased with the quality on exhibition. Dr. Kammlade judged this show. Again, Ola Mae Itz held her record. In the years she has shown, her first showing in San Antonio some years back will long be remembered by the veteran breeders, as she certainly made a clean sweep of the champions. She has a ewe in her flock this year that has been champion everywhere she has shown, which is quite a record, as certainly different judges sometimes judge on different scales. She had champion and reserve ewes. Hudson Glimp the champion ram, and R. R. Walston the reserve. Connie Mack Locklin, C. C. Castleberry and L. & W. Steubing had some nice sheep fitted for this show. Supt. Gray asked Mrs. Chester Itz to represent the Delaine Association and make the presentation of the champion banners, which Mrs. Itz graciously consented to do.

The Austin Junior breeders show and the San Angelo Stock Show conflicted in dates. This should be corrected, as the largest number of Junior breeders showing anywhere will be exhibiting at these two shows.

Even though the major shows are over, it is time to be thinking of show flocks for another year. Ray Wilson of the State Fair stated at the Purebred banquet in Fort Worth that they were trying to add the Junior Delaines to their classes of breeding sheep this year. This should begin the highlights of junior breeders.

Clyde Glimp recently sold fourteen of the thirty remaining ram lambs of his flock of registered Delaines. Clyde has gone into the commercial lamb feeding. He had some five hundred lambs running on the grain fields that were in excellent shape with no feed bill in them. This is the easy way out, so Clyde says. He is a great believer in soil conservation and has done much to conserve soil and grass on his ranch. This could be one of the reasons he had no feed bill in his lambs. Of course, it takes moisture to provide anything, but some land has been so badly abused, it will take a lot of care, moisture, and cover crops to bring back the fertility it once had.

At a recent meeting with Congressman Homer Thornberry, problems of our various localities were discussed and how to amend these were brought out. Fleetwood Richards of Lockhart puts it this way: We owe every pound of wool, pound of beef, pork, etc., to our land. And are we conscious of it? He thinks not enough, as there is positive proof where moisture has been more plentiful that the soil is still not producing. Yet, he gave an example of another man who felt his duty to his land enough to give it every possible treatment toward rebuilding it. Consequently, this place, though small, is proof enough that if we feel our obligation strong enough to do as he has, the dividends will not only be satisfactory but profitable in years to come.

Clint Shirley of Fort Worth was in Burnet and Bertram, February 20, to classify the commercial lambs that have been on feed. There were approximately three hundred thirty-five lambs, and the great majority were very good. This is a decided increase over the program last year. The lambs were shorn and shipped to Fort Worth, and the best brought 19½ cents per pound. This is another project with a definite future, and we feel more boys will become interested after this successful venture for most of the boys. There are problems yet to be worked out in this, sure, but most of these can be taken care of with good lambs. A good feed ration, and efficiency in feeding them. County Agent James C. Sawyers, "Dub" Pittard, Everett Nichols, and others, reserve much credit for another successful lamb program.

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Show Winners at Fort Worth

Rambouillets

IN THE Rambouillet breed, Miles Pierce of Alpine showed the champion and reserve champion ram and the champion and reserve champion ewe.

Delaine-Merinos

In the Delaine-Merino breed, R. R. Walston, Menard, had the champion ram and champion ewe; G. A. Glimp, Burnet, the reserve champion ewe; and Hudson Glimp, Burnet, the reserve champion ram.

Hampshires

In the Hampshire class, Harrison Davis, Dorchester, showed the champion ram and champion ewe; Mrs. Ammie E. Wilson, Plano, the reserve champion ram and reserve champion ewe.

Shropshires

Oklahoma A&M, Stillwater, had both champion ram and champion ewe in the Shropshire class; Mrs. C. E. Holt, Decatur, the reserve champion ram, and Dannie Winchester, Enid, Okla., the reserve champion ewe.

Southdowns

In the Southdown breed, C. M. Kindoll, Wheatley, Kentucky, exhibited the champion ram and reserve champion ram and the reserve champion ewe; Oscar Winchester & Sons, Waukomis, Oklahoma, had the champion ewe.

Suffolks

Dr. R. L. Pavy, Rensselaer, Indiana, had the champion ram in the Suffolk class; Harrison Davis, Dorchester, the reserve champion ram and champion ewe, and Trans-Pecos Ranch, Fort Stockton, showed the reserve champion ewe.

Cheviots

In the Cheviot breed, Alvin Helms, Belleville, Illinois, showed the champion and reserve champion ram and the champion ewe. Donald Helms, Belleville, Illinois, the reserve champion ewe.

Fat Lamb Show

The champion fine wool lamb of the show was exhibited by Larry Tow, Waurika, Oklahoma; Bobby Hillary, Waurika, Oklahoma, had the champion Southdown or Southdown cross of the show; Kyle Wright, Ingram, showed the champion medium wool lamb of the show other than Southdown; Bobby Hillary, Waurika, Okla-

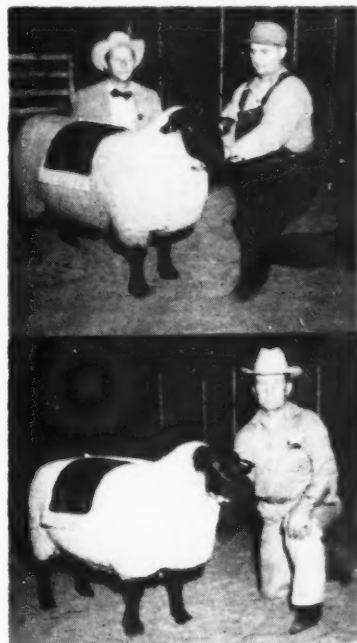
homa, the grand champion wether lamb of the show.

Junior Lamb Show

James Allen, Santa Anna, exhibited the champion lamb in the Junior lamb show.

Angora Goats

S. W. Dismukes of Rocksprings, Texas, showed the champion Angora buck and Joe Brown Ross, Sonora, the champion doe in B-type show, and Joe Brown Ross showed the champion buck and doe in the C-type show.



CHAMPION SUFFOLKS

Top picture shows champion Suffolk ram, first prize winner in the aged class, exhibited by R. L. Pavy and Family of Rensselaer, Indiana. The ram is held by Alvin Helms of Belleville, Illinois, and C. A. Prindle, Fort Worth Livestock Superintendent and representative for Foley-Allen Livestock Commission Company, is shown with Mr. Helms. The champion Suffolk ewe of the Fort Worth Show was shown by Harrison Davis of Dorchester. The Suffolk class was probably the finest ever held in the southwest with many of the top sheep also top at the Chicago International.



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In Memoriam

J. D. WALLACE

J. D. WALLACE, 56, died at his home at Sonora, February 5.

Mr. Wallace was born in Vance, Texas, in 1897, and moved with his parents, a well known ranch family, to Sonora at an early age. He married Miss Alice Trainer in 1919. Mrs. Wallace died in 1932.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. W. D. Wallace; two sons, George Dee and R. W. Wallace; a brother, Libb Wallace, and a grandson, Joe Neal Wallace.

E. F. VANDER STUCKEN

E. F. VANDER STUCKEN, 87, pioneer merchant and banker, died at his home in Sonora, January 28, after a short illness.

Mr. Vander Stucken was born in Fredericksburg in 1866. His father, Emil Vander Stucken was a merchant immigrant from Germany. In 1890 Emil Felix Vander Stucken accepted a position in the Mayer-Hagerlund Store in Sonora which he later purchased, changing the name of the store to E. F. Vander Stucken Company.

In 1900 Mr. Vander Stucken and Miss Bessie Wyatt were married. Also in 1900 Mr. Vander Stucken was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Sonora, of which institution he has been an officers since its foundation. He has been president of the bank and the First Loan Company since 1940. He was also a director of

the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company, which he helped found.

In 1909 he purchased a ranch and has increased his ranch holdings considerably since that date.

Surviving are his wife and two sons, Joe M. Vander Stucken, Sonora, and Emil Vander Stucken, of Princeton, New Jersey; also four grandchildren.

CAMPBELL HINDE

CAMPBELL HINDE, 61, a well known Barnhart ranchman, died in a San Angelo hospital, February 15, after a long illness.

Mr. Hinde was born in 1892 at Sherwood, Texas. He served in World War I, was wounded and lost a leg as a result.

Surviving are his wife, one daughter, Miss Lucy Ann Hinde of Barnhart; an aunt, Mrs. J. M. Lackey of Barnhart, who reared him after the death of his parents; a sister, Mrs. L. V. Porter of Barnhart, and a brother, Franke Hinde of Fort Stockton.

JOHN WINDHAM

JOHN WINDHAM, Callahan County ranchman, was found dead of gunshot wounds in a pickup truck on his ranch near Clyde, Texas, February 16.

Mr. Windham was born in Callahan County, where he lived his entire life. He owned a 30-section ranch between Midland and Big Lake. He was said to be worth around fifteen million dollars. He owned a home in Abilene and on the ranch near Clyde.

Surviving are the wife; one son, James; a daughter, Mrs. Roy Davidson; four brothers, Ernest and Frank,

ranchmen south of Baird; Sam and Tommy of Oplin; two sisters, Mrs. Charles Straley and Mrs. John Jordan, Oplin; and four grandchildren.

CHARLIE SCHOTT

CHARLIE SCHOTT, pioneer ranchman of the Pipe Creek community, died at his home on Elm Creek, February 5, after a long illness.

Mr. Schott was born in Medina County, Texas, in 1861, a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Schott, who came to this country from France in 1850.

In 1902 he married Miss Mattie Callahan of the Pipe Creek community. The couple ranched in that community over fifty years and had increased their ranch holdings to over 5,000 acres.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Rudolph Schott; one daughter, Mrs. Lorene Tschirhart; a sister, Mrs. Bertha Hoffman of Culebra; four brothers, August of Bandera; Albert of Riverside; Eugene of Redwing, and Robert of Medina County, and two grandchildren, "Sonny" and Randy Schott.

MRS. W. H. BAKER

MRS. LOIS SELEMA BAKER, 68, wife of W. H. Baker, died at the ranch home near Del Rio, February 14, after a long illness.

She was born in 1885, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McLane. In 1907 she married Walter H. Baker in San Antonio. The couple lived on a ranch in the Juno community and later moved to the ranch on Devil's River, where they have lived to the present date.

Surviving are the husband; two sons, James Baker and Perry Baker, Comstock; three daughters, Mrs. Lucious Hinds and Mrs. Clarence Vollmer of Comstock and Mrs. R. H. Lamb of Del Rio; a sister, Mrs. Fannie Williams of Comstock, nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

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Miss Wool Meets with Enthusiastic Reception at Brownwood

A 45-MINUTE fashion review at Brownwood Saturday night, February 13, featured Miss Kathryn Gromatzky of Eden, Miss Wool of 1954. In the style show sponsored by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association and its women's auxiliary, Miss Gromatzky modeled some of the garments from her \$5,000 wardrobe.

When Miss Gromatzky arrived at the Brownwood airport she was welcomed by Mayor Smith Bell, City Manager Jack Broad, Chamber of Commerce President, Ben Denman, and the ten pretty Howard Payne College co-eds, who modeled the latest in spring fashions at the style show, and many others.

The Howard Payne College students who modeled garments in the fashion review were Jane Ellis, Imperial; Carolyn Kiersky, Dallas; Daisy Morgan, Dallas; Nancy Barnes, Brownwood; Wanda Jones, Bloomburg; Anita Center, Berkeley, California; Eva Nell Turner, Palestine; Sylvia Rundell, Florence; Sandra Bay, Brownwood, and Linda Steere, Dallas.

As a final feature of the show, Miss Wool modeled her coronation gown of pink wool and after being seated upon the throne, with the ten pretty co-eds around her, she was presented with roses by W. H. (Bill) Hinton, assistant to the Howard Payne College president.

Mrs. John Alexander, president of the women's auxiliary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association,

made the arrangements with Knobler's Women's Wear of Brownwood and the home economics department of Howard Payne College to present the show.

Mrs. Alexander and Miss Gromatzky were interviewed over KEAM radio station at Brownwood, Saturday afternoon.

During her visit to Brownwood, Miss Gromatzky attended the Golden Gloves tournament. She was escorted to the arena and introduced and after giving a short sketch of her activities since becoming Miss Wool, she was presented a miniature golden glove on a necklace.



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LAMB SHOW

Champion lamb: Donald Trull, Santa Anna. (This was a fine wool fat lamb, a Delaine of Dale Herring, Talpa, breeding). Reserve champion lamb: Quinton Lyles, McCamey. Champion crossbred: Bill McIntyre, Eola. Reserve champion crossbred: F. G. Brown, Eola.

Heavyweight fine wool lambs, (five places only): 1. Donald Trull, Santa Anna FFA. 2. Edwin Wester, Tom Green 4-H. 3. Ray McIntyre, Concho 4-H. 4. Wes Wise, Santa Anna FFA. 5. Clarence Kellmerier, Eola FFA.

Lightweight fine wool lambs: 1. Quinton Lyles, McCamey 4-H. 2. Bobby Dunn, Sterling City 4-H. 3. Butch Moore, Upton 4-H. 4. Buck Burk, Eden 4-H. 5. Mary Jim Davis, Irion 4-H.

Fine wool shorn lambs: 1. Wes Wise, Santa Anna. 2. Tommy Love, Sutton 4-H. 3. Marvin Ratliff, Jr., Val Verde 4-H. 4. Eugene Erwin, Eola FFA. 5. Donald Trull, Santa Anna.

Crossbred heavyweight lamb: 1. Billy McIntyre, Eola FFA. 2. Carlos Loeffler, Sutton 4-H. 3. Harold Carter, Roby FFA. 4. Kendall Cogman, Tom Green 4-H. 5. Bobby Patterson, Fort Stockton FFA.

Lightweight crossbred lambs: F. G. Brown, Eola FFA. 2. Calvin Helf, Rannels 4-H. 3. Donnie Edwards, Tom Green 4-H. 4. Donnie Oakes, Winters FFA. 5. Billy Don Sorrell, Concho 4-H.

Best group of fine wool lambs: 1. Upton 4-H. 2. Reagan 4-H. 3. Winters FFA.

Best group of crossbred lambs: 1. Big Lake FFA. 2. Reagan 4-H. 3. Irion 4-H.

MEN'S BREEDING SHEEP SHOW

Rambouillet

Ram lambs: 1. Miles Pierce, Alpine; 2. Leo Richardson; 3. Pierce; 4. L. L. Richardson, Iraan.

Pen of three ram lambs: 1. Pierce; 2. Leo Richardson.

Two-tooth rams: 1 and 2, Pierce; 3. Leo Richardson; 4. Rod Richardson; 5 and 6, L. F. Hodges, Sterling City; 7. Leo Richardson; 8. Ovey Taliaferro, Eden.

Pen of three two-tooth rams: 1. Pierce; 2. Leo Richardson.

Champion and reserve champion rams: Pierce.

Ewe lambs: 1. Pierce; 2. Leo Richardson; 3. Pierce; 4. Leo Richardson; 5. Taliaferro.

Two-tooth ewe: 1. Clinton Hodges, Sterling City; 2. Pierce; 3 and 4, Leo Richardson; 5. Pierce; 6. Clinton Hodges.

Pen of three two-tooth ewes: 1. Leo Richardson; 2. Pierce.

Champion ewe: Clinton Hodges.

Reserve champion ewe: Pierce.

Get of sire: 1. Pierce; 2. Leo Richardson.

Exhibitors' flock: 1. Pierce; 2. Leo Richardson.

Lamb flock: 1. Pierce; 2. Leo Richardson.

Suffolk

Ram lambs, 1 and champion: Charles Stegal, Sanderson.

Ewe lambs: 1 and 2, Stegal.

Champion and reserve champion ewes: Stegal's lambs.

Southdowns

Ram lambs: 1. Beth McElroy, Eden.

Champion ram: Beth McElroy.

Ewe lambs: 1 and 2, B. W. Edwards, O'Donnell.

Two-tooth ewe: 1. Edwards.

Champion and reserve champion ewes, Edwards.

Shropshires

Ewe lambs: 1, J. C. Robertson, Olney.

Two-tooth ewes: 1 and 2, Robertson.

Champion and reserve champion ewes: Robertson.

Hampshire

Ram lambs: 1 and 2 and champion and reserve champion, Charles Todd, Truscott.

Ewe lambs, 1 through 4 and champion and reserve champion ewes, Todd.

Get of sire: Todd.

Lamb flock: Todd.

JUNIOR BREEDING SHEEP SHOW

Rambouillet

Ram lambs: 1. T. J. Jarrett, Del Rio; 2. J. Lee Ensor, Bronte; 3. Connie Mack Locklin, Sonora; 4. Frank Boyd, Rankin; 5. Harry Holmes, Sheffield; 6. Pamela Jones, Ozona; 7. John Potter, Del Rio; 8. Bud Ivy, Sheffield; 9. Jerry Williams, Millersview; 10. Bill Sorrell, Eden.

Two-tooth ram lambs: 1. Sue Tongate, Brooksmith; 2. Janice Taliaferro, Eden; 3. H. D. Bode, Harper; 4. Pierce Miller, Ozona; 5. Tuffy Whitehead, Del Rio; 6. Bill Cauthorn, Del Rio; 7 and 8, Scotty Menzies, Menard; 9. Henry Mills III, Del Rio; 10. Martin Stacy, Brooksmith; 11. Bode; 12. Joe Bryan, Ovalo; 13. Jim Cauthorn, Del Rio; 14. Maynard Hill, Del Rio; 15. Bill Cauthorn; 16. Tuffy Whitehead, Del Rio.

Champion ram: Sue Tongate.

Reserve champion ram: Janice Taliaferro.

Ewe lambs: 1. J. Lee Ensor, Bronte; 2. Martin Lee, Bronte; 3. Scotty Menzies, Menard; 4. Bill Cauthorn; 5. Martin Lee; 6. Pinky Carruthers, Del Rio; 7. Frank Randolph, Junction; 8. Edmund Wade, Zephyr; 9. Harvey Williams, Vancouver; 10. Joe Vanderstucken, Sonora; 11. Harvey Williams; 12. Connie Locklin; 13. Dixie Williams; 12. Connie Locklin; 13. Dixie Wilbanks, Ballinger; 14. Robert Fawcett, Del Rio; 15. Janice Taliaferro; 16. Robert Fawcett.

Two-tooth ewe lambs: 1. Henry Mills, III, Del Rio; 2. Maynard Hill, Del Rio; 3. J. Lee Ensor; 4. T. J. Jarrett; 5. Sue Tongate; 6. H. D. Bode; 7. Henry Mills III; 8. Sue Tongate; 9. Scotty Menzies; 10. J. Lee Ensor; 11. James Cauthorn; 12. Tuffy Whitehead; 13. Henry Holmes, Sheffield; 14. Jim Cauthorn; 15. Frank Randolph, Junction; 16. Dixie Wilbanks.

Champion ewe: Henry Mills III.

Reserve champion ewe: J. Lee Ensor.

Pen of three: 1. Henry Mills III; 2. Sue Tongate; 3. J. Lee Ensor; 4. T. J. Jarrett; 5. Donnie Bode.

Pen of three, breeder owned: 1. Donnie Bode; 2. Scotty Menzies; 3. Joe Bryan; 4. Connie Locklin; 5. Jimmy Twain Stubblefield of Ballinger; 6. Pinky Carruthers.

Delaine

Ram lambs: 1. Lynn Kirby, Evant; 2 and 3, Ola Mae Itz, Harper.

Two-tooth ram lambs: 1. Connie Locklin; 2. Ola Mae Itz; 3. Lynn Kirby; 4. Millard Leon Bennett, Junction.

Champion ram: Lynn Kirby.

Reserve champion: Connie Locklin.

Ewe lambs: 1. Ola Mae Itz; 2. Millard Leon Bennett; 3. Connie Locklin; 4. Chester Berry, Goldthwaite; 5. Ola Mae Itz.

Two-tooth ewe lambs: 1 and 2, Ola Mae Itz; 3. Chester Berry; 4. Millard Leon Bennett; 5 and 6, Connie Locklin.

Champion and reserve champion ewes: Ola Mae Itz.

Pen of three: 1. Ola Mae Itz; 2. Connie Locklin; 3. Millard Leon Bennett.

Pen of three, breeder owned: 1. Ola Mae Itz; 2. Connie Locklin.

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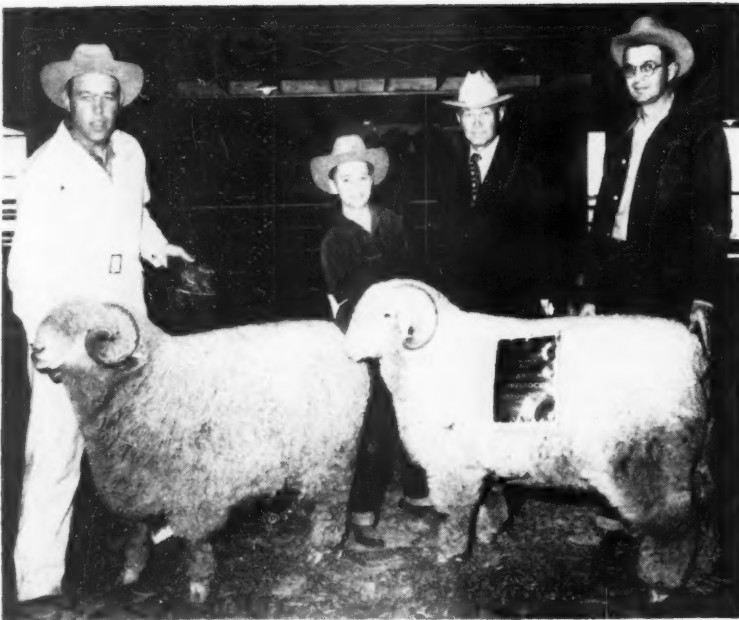
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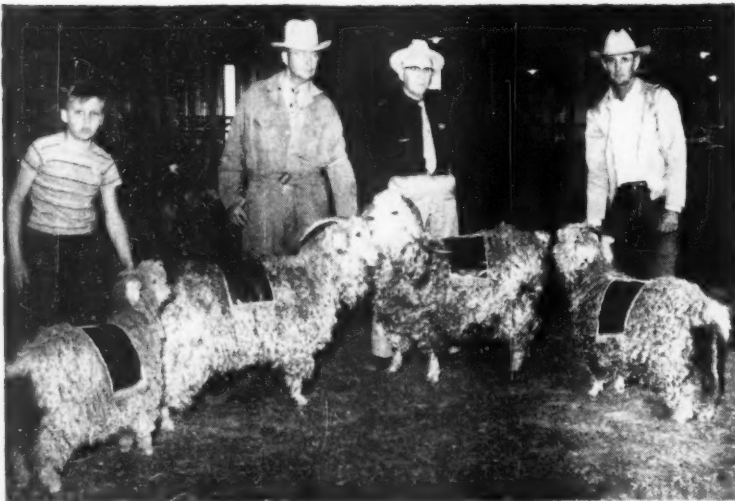
UVALDE SHOW CHAMP

Haygood Gulley, 18-year-old senior student, showed this crossbred lamb to the championship of the 1954 Uvalde Livestock Show. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Gulley, Uvalde, and has been very successful in his livestock work. He was the breeder of lambs which took top awards in several shows.



TOP RAMBOUILLET

The top Rambouillet rams at the San Antonio show were exhibited by the Pierces. However, one of them had Pierce in front of his name instead of behind it. He was young Pierce Miller of Ozona, center, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Miller, who showed the champion Rambouillet in the boys' breeding sheep show and gave his uncle, Miles Pierce, Alpine, left, quite a fight for the champion ram of the show. In the center is Victor Pierce of Ozona, who carefully watched the competition between his son and grandson. Pete Jacoby, Crockett County Agent, who helped young Pierce, is on the right.



Results of San Antonio Show

THE SAN ANTONIO LIVESTOCK show in February featured some exceptional fat lambs and the best breeding sheep and breeding Angora goats in its history.

The auction of fat lambs saw some high priced mutton going over the block — not as high, however, as prices received last year, perhaps indicating a trend toward the much discussed de-emphasis on this phase of the livestock event.

The champion fine wool lamb shown by Maurice Tow, Waurika, Oklahoma, brought \$1,200 from the St. Anthony Hotel; the cross-bred champion of Fred Walta, Kingfisher, Oklahoma, \$1,100; the Champion Southdown lamb of Larry Tow, Waurika, Oklahoma, \$1,050; Reserve Champion Fine wool lamb of James Lyle, McCamey, Texas, \$650; the Reserve Champion Crossbred lamb of Norman Hale, Kingfisher, Oklahoma, \$450; The Reserve Champion Southdown of James Richard Allen, Santa Anna, Texas, \$400, and the Reserve Champion Cross of Elroy Daniels, \$400.

Breeding Sheep Show

In the Southdown breed Aime F. Real, Kerrville, showed the champion

ram and reserve champion ewe; Duron Howard, champion ewe, and L. J. Lueddecke, Austin, reserve champion ram.

In the Suffolk breed, the Trans-Pecos Ranch, Fort Stockton, showed both champion ram and champion ewe.

In the Rambouillet breed, Miles Pierce, Alpine, showed the champion ram and champion ewe.

In the Delaine breed, the champion ram was shown by Hudson Glimp, Burnet, and reserve champion by R. R. Walston, Menard.

The champion and reserve champion ewe were shown by Ola Mae Itz of Harper.

In the Corriedale breed, the champion ram was shown by W. M. Arnold, Blanco, and the champion ewe by Leslie Hamann, Coupland.

In the Columbia breed, the champion ram and champion ewe were shown by L. A. Nordan, San Antonio.

In the Hampshire breed the champion ram was shown by T. R. Hinton, Keller, Texas, with the champion ewe being shown by Ammie E. Wilson, Plano, Texas.

In the Shropshire breed, the champion ram was shown by Johnnie Grif-

CHAMPION ANGORA GOATS

The 1954 Angora goat show was the best ever held at San Antonio. Joe Brown Ross, left center, is holding his champion "C" type buck and Jack Middleton, San Antonio, is holding Mr. Ross' champion "C" type doe. Right center is S. W. Dismukes, Rokesprings, with his "B" type champion buck, and right is C. H. Chaney, Utopia, with his champion "C" type doe.

THE CHANEYS AND PRIZE WINNING GOATS

C. H. Chaney, Utopia, with Tommy Chaney and Danny Erle Chaney did an outstanding job in the San Antonio Angora goat show. He had the champion "B" type doe, center, and the first place "B" type buck kid, left, and first place "B" type doe kid, right. This is one of the younger Angora goat breeders and he has been coming to the top fast, assisted by two right spry young sons.



RANCH FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lockhart and daughter, Ivy Francis, and son, Jesse, Jr. Jesse was one of the competitors in the goat show at San Antonio and his family was quite interested in the results. Both he and Ivy Francis have sheep and goats on their ranch close to Barksdale, Texas. Jesse is studying under vocational agriculture instructor, E. J. Trees.

fen, Mullen, Texas; the champion ewe by Mrs. C. E. Holt, Decatur, Texas.

In the Junior Rambouillet show the first place 2-tooth ram was shown by Pierce Miller, Ozona; the champion ewe by T. J. Jarrett, Del Rio; the reserve champion ewe by Scotty Menzies, Menard.

The grand champion Rambouillet of the show and the trophy winner was exhibited by Miles Pierce.

Angora Goat Show

The Angora goat show at San Antonio was sparked by keen competition in both the "C" and "B" type divisions.

The champion "B" type buck was shown by S. W. Dismukes, Rock-springs, Texas; the champion "B" type doe by C. H. Chaney, Utopia, Texas; the champion "C" type buck by Joe Brown Ross, Sonora, and the champion "C" type doe by Joe Brown Ross. (See photos).

SAN ANTONIO

MARKET SUMMARY

SHEEP AND lambs opened the month 50 cents to \$1.00 higher and with minor exceptions, held mostly steady thereafter. For the most part a range of \$18.00 to \$19.50 took good and choice woolled lambs while similar grade shorn lambs ranged \$17.50 to \$18.50. A few choice and prime woolled lambs sold up to \$20.25. Fresh shorn up to \$19.00. Bulk utility to good lightweight slaughter lambs ranged \$14.50 to \$17.50, with culls downward to \$10.00. Good and choice fresh shorn yearlings ranged up to \$15.00 and there were choice two-year-old shorn wether sparingly at \$11.00 to \$12.00. Bulk good and choice shorn aged ewes and wethers ranged \$8.00 to \$10.00, while cull and utility centered at \$5.00 to \$7.50. Feeding lambs were in dependable demand throughout, with an especially good demand for woolled lambs weighing 70 to 85 pounds. Prices were 75 cents to \$1.00 higher with the bulk good and choice heavy woolled feeders selling at \$17.00 to \$18.25, a few to \$18.75, others mainly \$14.50 to \$17.00.

Goats were marketed in rather limited volume early in the month, but towards the close the movement appeared to be on the increase. Prices for slaughter goats and kids held fully steady early, but late in the month mature offerings dropped 25 cents to 50 cents per cwt. A spread of \$7.00 to \$7.50 took good shorn Angora goats and a moderate showing Spanish types, while common and medium lots ranged largely \$5.50 to \$6.50 and culls downward to \$5.00. A few good slaughter kids sold at \$5.00 to \$5.50 per head but bulk offerings ranged \$4.00 to \$4.75 per head with young 15 to 18 lb. weight at \$2.00 to \$3.75 per head. Medium and good Angora stock goats ranged from \$5.50 to \$8.00 per head.

John Will Vance, Coleman ranchman, recently sold some registered Suffolk sheep to Gary Vaughan, Tuscola, for an FFA project.

Some ranchmen of the southwest figure that their labor costs average about 25 per cent of their gross expenses.

Tom Davis, Coleman County stock farmer, is now connected with the Shirley Livestock Commission Company, Fort Worth, working in the sheep department. Prior to the war, Mr. Davis was working with Chas. Davidson of Crockett County.

Vic York of Hamilton and Comanche Counties, who was connected with the Shirley Livestock Commission Company in the sheep department during the war, is now back with Shirley. Since the war Mr. York has been ranching in South Dakota. He and his family moved to Fort Worth in February.

Billy Neal, Marathon, sold early in February around 1,200 head of 4-year-old ewes, bred for April lambs, to Cochran Brothers of Lubbock for their ranch north of Blackwell. The deal was handled by Roy Harkey, commission man of San Angelo, and the price was \$12.50 per head.

John R. Scott, Mertzon, recently sold 474 head of lambs in the wool to Jack Shaw of Fort Worth at 20 cents. These were extraordinary lambs off dry grass with cake and corn mixture as a supplement. They weighed 105½ pounds net at Barnhart. The sale was made by O. K. Harkey.

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HINTON SHOWS CHAMPION FLOCK AT SAN ANTONIO

One of the nice exhibitor's flocks at San Antonio was the first place Hampshires shown by T. R. Hinton, Keller, Texas, center. Mr. Hinton also had the champion Hampshire ram.

The Polled Hereford breeders at San Antonio were offering Jimmy Grote. Manager of the Thornton Hereford Ranch, consolation and advice during the San Antonio stock show. He was carrying his arm in a sling as a result of a badly gouged hand from a horned bull whose feet he was trimming. Grote was man-

ager of the San Antonio and San Angelo livestock shows and is now at Boerne.

Russell Koontz, Buffalo ranchman, has purchased 400 head of Angora does from J. B. Ragland, Dripping Springs, at \$10 a head, in the hair. Mr. Koontz has moved from Bandera County.

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A DISTINCT trend toward commercial type feeding of livestock is evident in many of the counties of West, Central and East Texas. Burnet County has doubled its commercial feeding by young livestock men and the results have been very satisfactory. Lampasas County has entered into the commercial feeding program this year with 230 lambs with good results. Knox County had about 65 lambs in its program. Brown County's program included both fat and commercial feeding. The Mozelle community of Coleman County will finish its commercial feeding program on March 15 with indications of very satisfactory results.

Some of the feeding programs are strictly pasture projects and others are dry lot but the young people are getting a vast amount of practical, worthwhile training in their work and study much of which they fail to do in fat feeding programs.

The lambs on completion of the feeding are, or will be shipped to the central market after being classified or graded as high goods, choice and prime — the blue ribbon type. The goods are red ribboners and medium flesh lambs as utility and get a white ribbon.

No championship lamb is indicated and an overfat, wasteful animal such as is likely to win top position at some of the major lamb shows is given scant consideration in commercial grading. Indeed, it is hardly likely that such an animal will be found in a practical feeding program.

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Frank Weed, Jr., Utopia, sold 500 solid mouth ewes for Adolf Stieler to Dub Glen of Del Rio, the first part of January. They brought \$10.75 and loaded at Uvalde. Weed also sold Jimmy Mills a carload of lambs, loaded at Uvalde for 18c. They weighed 106 pounds. Weed and Talley of Uvalde sold 235 two-year Hereford heifers for \$125.00. They were calving and went to northern buyers.



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